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PURIM CELEBRATION

Purim, one of the happiest of Jewish holidays, commences Saturday night, March 17, with the reading of the megillah and celebrations continue all day Sunday. In this photo we see children and their parents dressed up for a Purim party. [WZPS photo]

Shamir lashes out at Egypt's actions

By DAVID LANDAU

JERUSALEM [JTA] — Premier Yitzhak Shamir last week denounced Egypt in the Knesset for reneging on its treaty obligations toward Israel.

He said Egypt's behavior called into question the credibility of its agreements and claimed Israel had tried repeatedly to improve relations with Cairo but was rebuffed.

Shamir spoke in reply to an opposition motion presented by Labor Party secretary-general Haim Barlev who charged that the hardline policies of Likud government made it incapable of fostering normal relations with Egypt and urged early elections to effect a change.

Shamir's speech was his harshest criticism of Egypt since he took office as Prime Minister last year.

Shamir seized upon Egypt's failure to return its ambassador to Israel after he was called home for "consultations" when Israel invaded Lebanon in June, 1982. Egypt "has no intention of returning its ambassador and achieving really normal relations," Shamir charged. He said that was the "clear conclusion" to be drawn from the many "excuses" offered by the Egyptians to explain their envoy's continued absence.

"When Egyptian representatives are asked, they cite the Lebanon war, or sometimes they cite the Taba issue, or sometimes they cite the Palestinian problem, saying that after we solve it they will send back the ambassador," Shamir said.

"These are excuses" and Israel will "draw the conclusions," he added.

According to Shamir, "The Egyptian government's behavior impairs the credibility of the agreements and commitments which it undertook upon itself in the past. It impairs, too, the credibility of agreements and commitments which Egypt or any other government in this region may take upon itself in the future."

Barlev blamed the "miserable Lebanon war" for fouling Israeli-Egyptian relations. He urged the government to withdraw Israeli forces from Lebanon after ensuring security arrangements and to conduct a "balanced policy" on the West Bank.

Barlev also called on the government to invite King Hussein of Jordan to peace talks "without pre-conditions." Such moves, he maintained, would salvage the peace treaty with Egypt.

Mubarak won't cancel peace treaty with Israel

WASHINGTON [JTA] — President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt denied that he would cancel Egypt's peace treaty with Israel as a means of regaining membership in the Arab League.

"If this is the way to join the Arab League, to cancel our agreement, I tell you frankly we do not want to join," he said in an interview from Cairo on the CBS-TV Face the Nation program on Sunday.

While calling President Hafez Assad of Syria a "good man," Mubarak rejected the suggestion that Assad can force Egypt to abrogate its peace treaty with Israel as Syria did with Lebanon which broke its May 17, 1983 agreement with Israel a week ago. "Whatever we decide we don't change," the Egyptian president declared. "This agreement is constitutionally approved in this country."

Mubarak said that he would not send back Egypt's ambassador to Israel until Israel withdraws completely from Lebanon and begins some movement on the Palestinian issue.

He said he did not want "cold relations" with any country, including Israel. He noted that he has not sent back Israel's ambassador to Egypt or closed the Israeli embassy in Cairo.

Mubarak charged that it was Israel, not Egypt, which was violating the Camp David agreements. He listed as violations the "annexation" of East Jerusalem and the Golan Heights and the "freeze" of the autonomy talks unless some of them are held in Jerusalem.

He claimed that former Premier Menachem Begin and the late President Anwar Sadat had an agreement that the talks would not be held in Jerusalem.

Religious discrimination found

Doctors win in Saudi case

HOUSTON [JTA] — Two Jewish cardiovascular anesthesiologists have been vindicated in their suit that accused Baylor College of Medicine here of unlawfully discriminating against them by not allowing them to participate in the Baylor rotation to the King Faisal Hospital in Saudi Arabia.

U.S. District Court Judge James DeAnda, who ruled last week in the case, found intentional discrimination on the basis of religion. The two doctors were identified as Lawrence Abrams and Stuart Linde.

In his findings, the judge ordered a permanent injunction prohibiting Baylor from discrimination on the basis of religion. "We must thereby permanently enjoin the defendant from excluding qualified Jews from the King Faisal rotation program," DeAnda ruled.

He also awarded back pay to both doctors to compensate for the dif-

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CJC opposes extra rib cut change

By PATRICIA RUCKER

OTTAWA — The Canadian Jewish Congress has requested that certain designated abbatoirs where kosher slaughtering takes place be exempted from a new federal regulation which changes the method by which a beef carcass is divided into front and hind quarters.

The new regulation, which came into effect Janaury 1, requires that the carcass be severed between the 12th and the 13th ribs.

But, says the CJC brief presented to federal minister of agriculture Eugene Whelan, at an Ottawa meeting last week, "the Orthodox rabbinate in Ontario and Quebec, having the recognized jurisdiction over matters involving kosher slaughter, is united in its application of religious custom and practice in determining that the front carcass shall mean up to, but not including, the 12th rib."

Only the front quarter of a kosher animal is considered to be kosher, and severing the carcass after the 12th rib, will, says the CJC brief, raise the cost of kosher meat considerably.

"Kosher butchers would be obliged to purchase and pay for the extra weight in bone and meat that they could not utilize for their customers . . . they would be obliged to cut away the extra meat under special supervision, according to kosher practice," the brief explains.

Alan Bentley, director of the livestock and poultry products division of the department of agriculture, who attended the meeting, told The CJN that the regulations had been changed to bring Canada into conformity with international standards.

"This will allow us to initiate exports to other countries, including Japan and European countries. We are exporting now, but this opens the door to other markets," Bentley said.

Until January 1, the standard procedure all across Canada had been to sever the carcass after the 11th rib.

The Congress delegation was made up of Rabbis Yitzchok Kerzner and Nachman Shemen of COR [Orthodox Division, Toronto Jewish Congress], Sam Filer, past chairman of the national executive of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Alan Rose, CJC executive vice-president, Rabbis Abraham Price and Mordechai Ochs of Toronto and Dr. Baruch Dienna of the kashruth division of the Ottawa Vaad Ha'ir.

Rose told The CJN that the delegation was not requesting that the regulation be changed — simply that an exemption be made for those slaughterhouses that prepare kosher carcasses.

The delegation, said Rose, found Whelan to be sympathetic.

Filer noted that the United States conforms to the international standard, and said that the possibility of exporting fronts that follow the kosher practice to the observant U.S. Jewish community was raised — if Canada allows the exemption.

Another area of concern in the Congress brief was that, under the new regulations, meat prepared according to the old standard cannot be graded by federal authorities.

Bentley confirmed that this could raise difficulties, since slaughterhouses must conform to federal regulations.

Congress expects to hear from Whelan "at an early date," Rose said.

While the delegates were in Ottawa, they were entertained at a luncheon hosted by Treasury Board chairman Herb Gray. Other guests, at the luncheon, which was under the kashruth supervision of the Ottawa Vaad, were Solicitor-General Robert Kaplan and Senator David Croll.

IT'S A DEAL

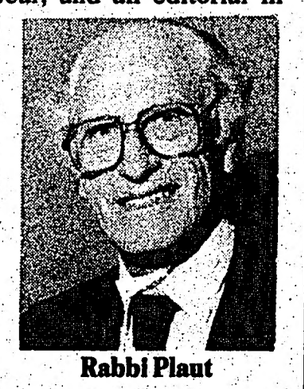
Neri Bloomfield and David Azrieli of Montreal shake hands on agreement to share the presidency of the Canadian Zionist Organization [CJN March 1]. Bloomfield will assume the presidency at CZF convention in April for three years after which Azrieli will take over. But Rabbi Michael Stroh, Toronto, national president of Kadima, the Reform Zionist organization, isn't happy about the idea. See story on page 3. [Jack Markow photo]

World-National

Frank case leaves stain on Georgia

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

In a previous column I noted the 70th anniversary of the lynching in Georgia of Leo M. Frank and the efforts to have him posthumously pardoned and exonerated. I mentioned briefly that the Pardon Board had turned down the appeal, and an editorial in The Canadian Jewish News commented on the narrowmindedness of that decision. Here are some excerpts from the board's decision:


Rabbi Plaut

On Jan. 4, 1984, this board received an application from the Anti - Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, the American Jewish Committee and the Atlanta Jewish Federation, Inc., requesting the granting of a full pardon exonerating Leo M. Frank of guilt of the offense of murder.

In accepting the application, the board informed the applicants that the only grounds upon which the board would grant a full pardon exonerating Leo M. Frank of the murder for which he was convicted would be conclusive evidence providing beyond any doubt that Frank was innocent. The burden of furnishing such proof would be upon the applicants.

The pardon application, prompted by the affidavit of Alonzo Mann dated March 4, 1982, is accompanied by numerous other documents submitted in support of the pardon.

Alonzo Mann made statements to journalists Jerry Thompson and Robert Sherborne, which appeared in a copyrighted article in The Tennessean on Sunday, March 7, 1982, and made similar statements in Atlanta, Georgia, on Nov. 10, 1982, which were videotaped and recorded by a court reporter in the presence of representatives of the Parole Board.

Mann's major point was that, upon re-entering the front door of the National Pencil Company building on April 26, 1913, shortly after noon, he saw the limp form of a young girl in the arms of Jim Conley on the first floor. Upon seeing Mann, Conley is alleged to have turned and reached out toward him with one hand, stating, "If you ever mention this, I will kill you." Mann then ran out the front door, caught a streetcar, and went straight home.

Assuming the statements made by Mr. Mann as to what he saw that day are true, they only prove conclusively that the elevator was not used to transport the body of Mary Phagan to the basement. Governor Slaton concluded, as a result of his investigation, that the elevator was not used and so stated this in his order of commutation. Therefore, this in and of itself adds no new evidence to the case.

The lynching of Leo Frank and the fact that no one was brought to justice for that crime is a stain upon the State of Georgia which granting a posthumous pardon cannot remove.

Seventy years have passed since the crime was committed, and this alone makes it almost impossible to reconstruct the events of the day. Even though records of the trial are well preserved, no principals or witnesses, with the exception of Alonzo Mann, are still living.

This case is tainted due to the lynching of Leo Frank. Would he eventually have won a new trial? Would he have been paroled? These questions can never be answered.

After an exhaustive review and many hours of deliberation, it is impossible to decide conclusively the guilt or innocence of Leo M. Frank. There are many inconsistencies in the accounts of what happened.

For the Board to grant such a pardon, the innocence of the subject must be shown conclusively. Therefore, the board hereby denies the application for a posthumous pardon for Leo M. Frank."

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I had previously written that the case was followed by a pogrom. That was not so; rather, many Jews left Georgia for fear there might be one.

Today, their representative organizations wonder what they might do further to restore the good name of both Leo Frank and the State of Georgia.

Palestinian Arab at centre of row

Israel, Red Cross in prisoner clash

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Ziad Abu Ein, a young Palestinian Arab, has been thrust into the centre of a conflict pitting Israel against the International Red Cross.

Ein, 24, is serving a life sentence in Israel. Three years ago, Israel successfully extradited him from the U.S. in a highly publicized case. Then an Israeli court convicted him for planting a bomb in a trash bin during a youth rally in Tiberias on Nov. 14, 1979.

That explosion killed two Israelis and wounded 36.

Late in 1983, the Red Cross arranged for a prisoner exchange between Israel and the PLO. The Israelis released 4,400 Palestinians and the PLO let go six Israeli soldiers who had been captured in Lebanon the year before.

It was a well coordinated operation and the Red Cross was rightfully proud of it.

Nearly all the Palestinians released by Israel were prisoners of war, having been caught during the 1982 war in Lebanon. They were being held in Ansar, in southern Lebanon.

Ziad Abu Ein, left, is at centre of dispute between Israel and the Red Cross. [Uzi Keren photo]

Sixty-three of the Palestinians, having been convicted of terrorist activities, were serving time in Israeli jails.

Ein was in the maximum security Nafha Prison, in the Negev Desert, when Israel, the Red Cross and the PLO agreed on a prisoner release.

In a signed affidavit, Ein's lawyers claim that he and 11 other prisoners were informed that they were leaving Nafha. Handcuffed and blindfolded, they were flown by helicopter to another location, where a Red Cross official explained the prisoner release agreement.

The affidavit goes on to say that Ein and his fellow prisoners then signed a document consenting to go to Algeria.

According to Ein, he was waiting on a bus for the next leg of the trip when he was ordered by an Israeli soldier to get into a car.

Ein thought he would be permitted to go to Algeria. Instead, he was driven back to Nafha, where he remains to this day.

The Israeli military maintains that Ein was not released because of a clerical error by the Red Cross.

The Israelis say that they and the Red Cross agreed on the spot to the release of another Palestinian prisoner, thereby fulfilling Israel's commitment to release a total of 63 prisoners from Israeli jails.

The Red Cross, disagreeing with Israel's version of events, issued a statement from its headquarters in Geneva accusing Israel of violating the prisoner exchange accord by withholding Ein "at the last minute" and without informing Red Cross officials who were supervising the release.

The Red Cross said it "expects the terms of the 1983 agreement to be strictly respected."

Raja Shihadeh, one of Ein's lawyers, has told a press conference that his client's case could jeopardize the release of additional Israelis in Arab captivity. He has urged the Red Cross not to cooperate in future prisoner exchanges until Ein is released.

So far, the Red Cross has not made any statement to this effect.

No one doubts that Israel will need the Red Cross' assistance if it is to obtain five more Israelis in Arab hands.

Three, including a pilot or navigator, are in Syrian prisons. And two, maybe three, are captives of a radical wing of the PLO headed by Ahmed Jibril, who helped oust PLO chairman Yasser Arafat from Tripoli, Lebanon, last year.

Since last year's exchange, Israel has reportedly conducted no negotiations on its prisoners of war. Syria, for its part, has apparently displayed no interest whatsoever in an exchange. Israel holds several hundred Syrians.

It's unclear how important Ein is to the PLO, but Arafat is said to have insisted that he be released along with the several thousand other Palestinians.

Ein's unresolved status clouds Israel's relationship with the Red Cross. But few observers think that the Red Cross would refuse to deal with Israel if the opportunity for a future prisoner release arises.

In any event, Israel would probably be willing to release Ein if such an opportunity actually arose.

Syria called sworn enemy of peace

OTTAWA —

Syria is the sworn enemy of peace in the Middle East and is committed to the destruction of all efforts to resolve the conflict through a peace process, says Eliashiv Ben-Horin, Israel's new — and 10th — ambassador to Canada.

The ambassador expressed this opinion in a recent interview with The CJN, granted shortly before the formal abrogation of the Lebanese-Israel troop withdrawal agreement.

"For Syria, the very idea of peace between Arab countries and Israel is absolutely unacceptable. It does not matter what the terms of this peace might be," Ben-Horin says. "It is a question of principle for Syria that no Arab country — including Syria — should, under any circumstances, conclude peace with Israel.

Ben-Horin says it is time that people took Syria's president, "Syria's dictator" Hafez Assad, at his word. He has reiterated repeatedly in public his determination to seek a military resolution of the conflict.

If the Lebanese government does not stand by its commitments to Israel, Ben-Horin says there will be severe repercussions for all states in the region.

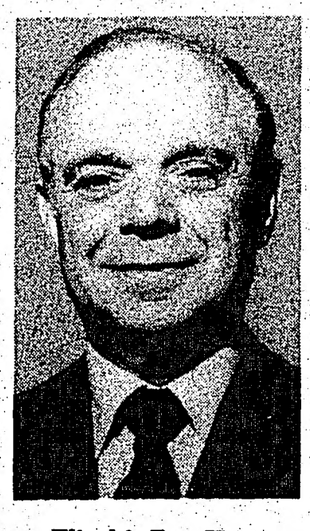
"If Syria can show that she can force a state neighboring on Israel to tear up such an agreement, against the will of that state, this might spell disaster for further progress in the peace process," Ben-Horin says.

"What Arab country would then want to risk a negotiation with Israel if it felt that Syria was permitted to put that kind of pressure — military, subversive, direct and by proxy — that would put in question the political, and perhaps physical survival of those . . . who would sit down with us," he asks.

From Israel's point of view, what trust could there be that an agreement signed with another Arab neighbor would not, under the same kind or pressure, be subject to similar treatment? "The situation might arise in which Israel might decide to give something irrevocably and would in return have a document which could be torn up at any time," says Ben-Horin.

He describes the May 17 agreement between Israel and Lebanon as "a fair agreement . . . good for both sides. It would have enabled Israel to withdraw her troops completely with only those minimal mutually agreed security arrangements which the agreement itself allowed."

Ben-Horin believes Lebanese capitulation to the Syrian demands for abrogation must inevitably lead to Syrian domination of the country, even if the Gemayel government is allowed to stay on as a puppet of the Damascus regime. Such


Eliashiv Ben-Horin

a Syrian-controlled Lebanese government would be impotent to prevent the reestablishment of a terrorist infrastructure in the south of Lebanon that would once again pose a threat to Israel's northern borders.

If Syria is allowed to determine the future direction of Lebanon, Ben-Horin says, there is a very real danger that the Syrians would welcome one or more of the many PLO factions back into the country "with the purpose of going back to square one and starting their terrorist harassment of the population in the Galilee all over again."

If the Lebanese government cannot assume its share of the security arrangements as agreed in the lengthy negotiations that resulted in the May accord between Lebanon and Israel, Ben-Horin says Israel's only choice is "to take this responsibility upon herself alone . . . to take those measures that would be considered indispensable to protect her northern borders from harassment."

Ben-Horin discounts the influence of the so called "moderate" Arab states on Syria. "I don't know what the word moderate means in regard to Israel," he says. "One Arab country may be moderate for its own good purpose on oil prices; another may be moderate on another question. On Israel, we still fail to understand what evidence there is when people speak of Arab moderation."

There must be, he points out, a recognition of the fact that the Arab-Israeli conflict cannot be solved by war. Egypt finally accepted that fact when it signed the peace treaty with Israel five years ago.

Saudi Arabia is often held out to be one of the "moderate" Arab states. "The fact remains that the Saudis have failed, if they ever even tried, to influence the Syrian course of action in any decisive way," he says.

Ben-Horin comes to Canada after a 6-year appointment as senior assistant deputy minister in the foreign ministry office in Jerusalem.

He has, in his first weeks in Ottawa, begun a round of discussions with senior government officials and parliamentarians from both sides of the House of Commons.

"We should never forget — we Israelis — that there is a long history of friendship for Israel and a Canadian understanding, both in successive governments and in public opinion, for the fundamental aspirations of the State of Israel," Ben-Horin says.

He stresses that the traditional friendship has been enhanced over the years with the development of significant bilateral ties in the trade, cultural and scientific spheres.

Ben-Horin acknowledges there have been occasional differences which have surfaced more noticeably in the past two years. But he is quick to point out these are not differences in fundamental values. Rather, they reflect "differences in perception between us.

"There is no point in pretending they never existed," he says, "but one should try to overcome rather than perpetuate them. The fundamental fact remains that the convictions and values that Canada and Israel share, and have shared all these many long years, immensely outweigh a ripple — or call it what you will — on waters that otherwise have been calm and clear."

He believes there is an "open, meaningful and ongoing dialogue" for solving those differences. "I see this as an important function of mine, as Israel's ambassador to Canada."

Bloomfield-Azrieli deal "undemocratic"

Rabbi Stroh won't drop bid for CZF leadership

By TAMMY KAROL

TORONTO —

Rabbi Michael Stroh of Toronto, national president of Kadima Canada's Reform Zionist organization, has refused to withdraw his bid for the presidency of the Canadian Zionist Federation, despite the fact that the presidency has already been decided on (CJN March 1). Stroh had announced earlier his intention to run for the office.

Neri Bloomfield and David Azrieli of Montreal signed a "memorandum of agreement" in late February to share the presidency, which has been held for 12 years by Judge Phil Givens of Toronto, who is resigning from the post at the CZF national convention in April.

At the convention, Bloomfield will be elected president for a 3-year term ending in April of 1987, at which time Azrieli will take over. Until then, Azrieli will serve as chairman of the executive board and as president-elect. Bloomfield and Azrieli say they have the signatures of all constituent CZF organizations agreeing to this.

Rabbi Stroh says the memorandum of agreement is undemocratic and "is reflective of CZF party politics." He says he specifically entered the race to change the manner in which the CZF conducts its business. He denies Kadima signed the presidency agreement.

Stroh said he decided to run as a matter of principle "and I am staying in the race even if I don't win."

He said that because the CZF has no constitution it can pretty well do what it wants to and "there's no such thing as a presidential term."

Stroh said he wrote to the CZF last October and again in December requesting information on nominating procedures but he received no reply until Feb. 29 when he was informed that the procedures had been decided on Feb. 28, and that presidential candidates were to have their nominations in by March 8, with 20 supporting signatures from the four CZF regions in the country.

Rabbi Stroh said Bloomfield and Azrieli are both worthy candidates but he expressed concern that the CZF has the political interests of its groups rather than Israel as a top priority.

The Toronto rabbi believes the CZF wants to avoid elections because, he claims, it operates as an "old boys' network" in a closed system, ruled by Zionist groups linked to Israel's major political parties. He maintains that the more established bodies like Herut are allowed more delegates at CZF national conventions and at world Zionist congresses because if this were not so they would lodge complaints with the politically-oriented World Zionist Organization.

Rabbi Stroh

According to Stroh, since Kadima is not linked to an Israeli political party, it has been "bamboozled" in representation to national and international Zionist gatherings. He pointed out that although Kadima's numbers increased from 2,000 to 6,000 between the 29th and 30th World Zionist Congress, only one delegate was designated by the CZF to the 30th congress.

The rabbi protested then that the 1-delegate designation was not representative of Kadima and called on the CZF to reconsider representation via an election but this was turned down.

He said Tami and the Confederation parties were in agreement with Kadima that an election should have been held.

He noted further that the Supreme Zionist Court ordered a Canadian election of delegates for the 30th Congress but the CZF apparently ignored the order.

Stroh said that he expects 31 Kadima delegates to attend the national CZF convention in April.

Stroh claims that Bloomfield and Azrieli are representative of the "old boys' network" whose members are an average 65 years old. He says Bloomfield, presently chairman of the board of the CZF and an active member of Hadassah-WIZO, is supported by the Labor Party and Azrieli is supported by Herut.

Said Stroh: "We're (Kadima) not linked to an Israeli political party. . . . We're opposed to the system as it kills organized Zionism."

The rabbi believes that the future of Zionism lies with the synagogues and that landsmanshaften and other former methods of Jewish identification are disappearing. "Zionism is a dimension of synagogue life and young people can be recruited through the synagogues," he said.

"I hope," he added, "that if Bloomfield and Azrieli serve as presidents, they'll have more concern for the future of the CZF as a Zionist body and pursue some of the things Kadima stands for . . . a constitution, depoliticization and an open system which invites new blood to join the Zionist movement."

Stevens to state Mideast position

OTTAWA —

MP Sinclair Stevens, external affairs critic for the Progressive Conservatives, will deliver his party's Middle East policy position at the annual policy conference of the Canada-Israel Committee here on March 20.

Stevens has been elected a member of Parliament four times and presently represents the Toronto riding of York-Peel.

In June 1979, former Prime Minister Joe Clark appointed him president of the Treasury Board and chairman of the cabinet committee on economy and government.

As a member of the opposition, Stevens has held a number of positions in caucus, including advisor on economic policy and finance spokesman.

After the 1980 election, he held several positions, including Treasury Board spokesman, chairman of the PC committee on government operations and party spokesman on industry, trade and commerce.

In September 1983, he was appointed the party's external affairs critic.

Stevens is a graduate of Osgoode Hall Law School and worked as a journalist at the Toronto Star while pursuing his legal studies. He began his law practice with the Toronto law firm of Fraser, Beatty and later founded his own firm of Stevens and Stevens.

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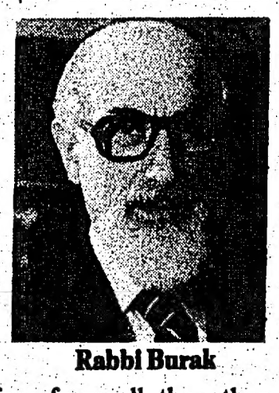
Parsha Vayakhel

By
RABBI MOSES J. BURAK

Question: Is there something unique about Shabbes Zachor?

On all the Sabbaths when we read the Torah, we are following an old ordinance. But, on Shabbes Zachor when we read that Torah portion, "Remember what Amalek did unto thee . . ." we are obeying a Commandment in the Torah. Reading about it brings a recollection of that ancient wrong. Remembering, brings on the desire to erase that infamy.


Rabbi Burak

This maftir reading is listed as a Mitzvah de Oraisa, a Torah commandment. In this way it surely differs from all the other Torah readings.

Over the years, however, there were scholars who found even more in this mitzvah. In the responsa Binyan Zion (Etlinger) part 2, responsum 8, a claim is made that this mitzvah applies to women as well as men. This claim is made in the name of that remarkable Gaon, Rabbi Nathan Adler z. l., the sage who was the main teacher of the Chassam Sofer z. l.

So strongly did Adler feel on this subject that he gave a ruling that not only is the mistress of the house obligated to hear this Torah reading, but the Jewish maid has the same obligation.

According to him, all women must hear this Torah reading. While women are usually freed from those mitzvot that have a special time slot, this command to remember is not tied to any specific day or hour. The sages, in order to have a clearly defined program, did specify that the parsha must be read on a specific Sabbath. But the Torah did not state it that way. And therefore all women are obligated to hear this reading.

Etlinger checks himself, however, by citing Sefer ha-Chinnuch, mitzvah 603, where it is stated that the mitzvah or remembering what Amalek did applied to men only, for they alone wage war and exact vengeance. Since women don't fight in a war, it doesn't make sense to command them to remember all about Amalek. But Etlinger doesn't accept this viewpoint.

He argues that what we have here are two independent mitzvahs: (1) to remember Amalek's infamous act, and (2) to erase that infamy. Besides, when women remember, it leads to the destruction of the enemy, as was proven by Queen Esther, by Judith in the story of Chanukah, and by Yael who slew Sisra.

In our times, when labor-saving machines have served to free women from the drudgery of the kitchen, and when the numbers of babies at home are so few, and when there seems to be time for all sorts of good times and for all sorts of outings, let the ladies flood into shul to hear the call to remember Amalek.

If, on the other hand, they are so very tired from baking hamantashen by the millions, it could be argued that they have already done their part to remember the story of long, long ago. Despite the valiant effort by Rabbi Nathan Adler z. l., he did not carry the day with his argument requiring that all ladies hear the reading of Parshas Zachor.

Community flourished during junta period

Zionist defends Argentine life

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — Normal Jewish community life in Argentina, including Zionist activity, continued uninterrupted during the seven years of military dictatorship, according to an Argentine Zionist leader.

Carlos Yablonovsky, president of the Zionist Federation of Argentina, said reports of anti-semitism in that country do not reflect the true situation of the Jewish community during that period.

"(Jacobo) Timerman gave a bad picture of our Jewish community in Argentina," said Yablonovsky, who was in Montreal on a private visit.

Yablonovsky acknowledged that statistics only now being made known seem to show that more Jews proportionally "disappeared" but said it is false to say an official campaign against Jews existed.

The organized Jewish community, he said, "always did all that it could do" to help save its own people. However, he admitted "nobody knew the extent of what was happening" during the military rule. The community is presently carrying out its own investigations.

"Timerman said he was tortured because he was Jewish; I can add that he was freed also because he was Jewish. Both are true," said Yablonovsky, a civil engineer in Buenos Aires, who has lived in Argentina since he was an infant.

Argentina's 300,000-member Jewish population conducted its community life unmolested during the junta period. Its networks of 40-odd Jewish day schools in Buenos Aires flourished, synagogues were untouched, the Yiddish daily and four Spanish-Jewish weekly newspapers continued to publish, fund raising took place, and meetings were held regularly, he said. "We had no problem making publicity for Zionism," he added.

Zionist groups in Argentina, representing the entire political spectrum, have a total membership of 60,000, and sent 21 delegates to the World Zionist Congress in Jerusalem in December, 1982. A Hebrew curriculum is taught in the Jewish schools, attended by about 20,000 students, as well as the government prescribed general studies.

The Argentine Jewish community's problems, he said, are much the same as those of North America: assimilation and intermarriage. In Buenos Aires, Yablonovsky estimated the intermarriage rate is more than 30%.

The Zionist groups propose that Jewish education and aliya are the only two ways of stemming this trend, he said. Very few Jews, however, have left Argentina for Israel or any other country since the military period, he said, although he did not know the exact emigration figures.

"Like all Argenitine citizens, we hope with all our heart that there will be a better life under the present democratic system," Yablonovsky said.

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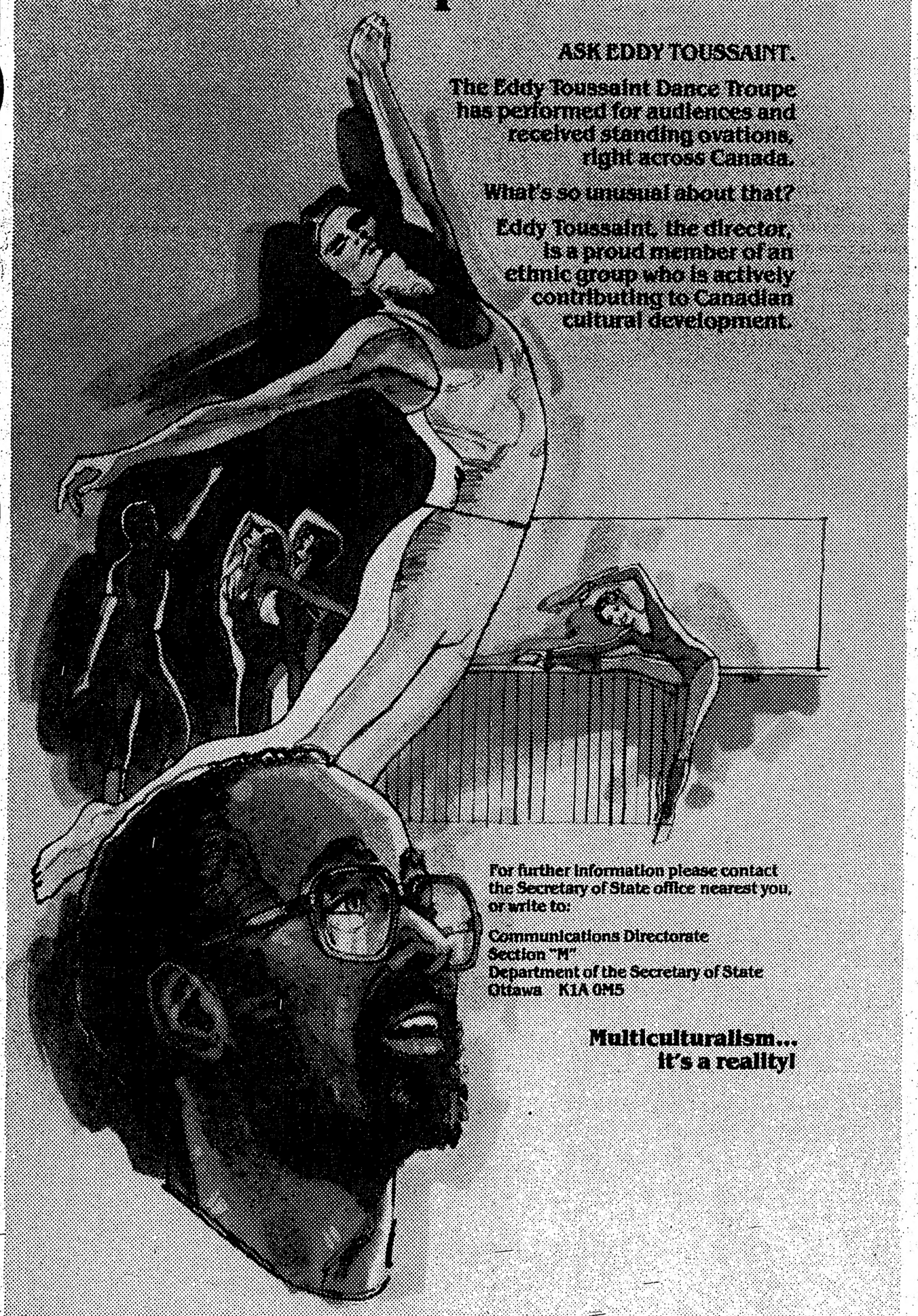

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"Frank and open" discussion

Kohl, Jewish leaders discuss Saudi arms sale

WASHINGTON [JTA] — A dozen Jewish leaders held a "frank and open" discussion with Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany here last week but no one's mind was changed on the possibility of Bonn selling arms to Saudi Arabia, and they left with the feeling they had made very little impact on the decision of the chancellor, Edgar Bronfman said after the 1-hour meeting at Kohl's hotel.

But, he added, he believes the meeting resulted in a "better understanding between the chancellor and the Jewish world. I think these things take time and a lot of interpersonal relations," he said.

Bronfman, president of World Jewish Congress, who had a private meeting with Kohl before the general meeting, said he accepted the chancellor's invitation to meet with him again in Bonn at the end of this month.

While Kohl insisted that it was up to his government to make the decision, Bronfman said he got a "very good understanding of the way the Jewish people feel on the subject. Of that there can be no doubt."

Several of the participants at the meeting were Holocaust survivors.

Kohl also told the Jewish group that he would sell only defensive weapons to Saudi Arabia. Bronfman said one of the participants noted that both defensive and offensive weapons kill.

The German leader said he would take responsibility to ensure that whatever weapons were sold to the Saudis "didn't get into terrorist or radical Arab hands." As he did on the NBC-TV Meet the Press program, Kohl "categorically" ruled out selling the Leopard II tank to Saudi Arabia, according to Bronfman.

Bronfman noted that before the weapons deal is actually signed, much could happen, such as the Saudis being unwilling to buy the weapons the Germans offer. While they did not say so, there was an implication that without the tanks, the Saudis might not want to purchase arms from the West Germans.

The issue has created a good deal of anxiety among Jews and it will take time to alleviate this, Bronfman noted. "Actions will probably speak louder than words," he said.

Bronfman said Kohl stressed his support for Israel and for the Jewish people, saying that he had learned to be opposed to anti-semitism at his "mother's breast." Bronfman said he believes the chancellor spoke "from the heart" and "I don't think anybody could have left the room not fully understanding Chancellor Kohl's commitment to the existence and security of the State of Israel."

Kohl did not mention the advertisements by Jewish organizations that have appeared in various U.S. newspapers which oppose any German arms sales to Saudi Arabia, according to Bronfman. He would not say however if this was raised at his private meeting with Kohl.

Bronfman said there was also a brief discussion of the issue of Soviet Jewry, with Kohl expressing his support for Jewish emigration to Israel which he called their "spiritual homeland."

Kohl also promised to raise the issue of Spain establishing diplomatic relations with Israel when he meets with Spanish president Filipe Gonzales Marquez in Madrid this month.

Earlier in the week, the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations called on President Reagan and Secretary of State George Shultz "to bring their influence to bear" against the proposed sale of military hardware to the Saudis by West Germany.

"A generation after Hitler, German arms again imperil Jewish lives," the Conference said in a statement. "To the Jewish people, Germany carries a special responsibility, a legacy of the Nazi era. Selling military hardware to Saudi Arabia, which participated actively in all of the Arab wars against Israel, would make a mockery of Germany's obligations."

The statement added: "Jews must never again be the targets of German weapons."

Violent sex in media more prevalent: Brown

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —

Mass media stimuli that perpetuate violent, sexual content increase the audience's aggressive-sexual fantasies, beliefs in rape myths and aggressive behavior, according to Mary Brown, chairman of the Ontario Censor Board and director of the theatres branch.

She made her remarks to a Holy Blossom Sisterhood gathering recently on the subject of Pornography and Violence against Women.

"Although aggressive pornography was relatively rare years ago, a number of recent articles in the print media state that aggression has become increasingly prevalent in sexually explicit books, magazines and films during the 1970s," said Brown.

Addressing a group of about 250 women, she said that a more systematic analysis of both "hard-core" and "soft-core" stimuli such as Playboy and Penthouse magazines generally corroborate these observations.

The coupling of sex and aggression in media portrayals are most likely to cause anti-social response, she said, and play a significant role in creating a cultural climate conducive to aggressiveness against women.

"Whereas early pornography had elements of arousal, almost done with awe and an element of beauty and seduction, today's films are becoming increasingly sado-masochistic," Brown said.

"The instance of violent sex in films has doubled in recent years, with such gruesome acts as torture, disemboweling and mutilation commonplace.

What's so frightening is that after a while, these films begin to desensitize, cripple emotions, distort human behavior and dehumanize our value system," she stressed.

She noted that the Censor Board reviewed some 50 films in the past three months, of which 30 dealt with violent rape.

Society is becoming equally obsessed with child porn, she said, in which children are eroticized and virginity and youth are the subject of exploitation.

Straw Dogs, a film directed by Sam Peckinpah in the early 1970s, was the first widely distributed motion picture showing violent rape, she added.

Since then, the proliferation of violent sex in all media has reached "astounding" proportions. Some facts:

- **Hard-core pornography is a multi-billion dollar industry in the U.S. and is greater than both the film and music industry combined.**
- The circulation of Playboy and Penthouse magazines have a wider circulation than both Time and Newsweek combined.
- Some 20,000 sex shops, peep shows and the like flourish in North America, most of which are supported by organized crime.
- **The explosion of videocassettes from U.S. markets and through Pay-TV is astronomical and is not registered or censored.**

Brown suggested that if any viewer finds any television program (i.e. rock videos) to be offensive, violent or sexually inappropriate for a general viewing audience, one should lodge a written complaint with the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission in Ottawa.

The Ontario Censor Board, comprised of members who represent a cross-section of the community in age, philosophy, background, lifestyle and ethnic origin, screens approximately 2,000 films per year.

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Dual career families spawn guilt

Lecturer advocates community support

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO — The Jewish community must band together and support parents who have chosen to have a dual career family, says Rela Geffen Monson, a lecturer at Gratz College in Philadelphia.

"Parents suffer a lot of guilt when both are out working, but with co-operation from the community some of this guilt can be relieved," said Monson who was speaking recently at Council House as part of the Leonard Wolinsky lecture series on Jewish life and education sponsored by York University.

Monson said that a big problem in dual career families is that of the "normative dilemma."

"In your head you know you have made the right decision, but when everyone outside your immediate family disagrees with you, it can drive you crazy," she said.

Monson said that the problem occurs because "there is a discrepancy between where you are and where everyone else is."

She added that synagogues could aid these families by providing good daycare services and food co-operatives. "This way, the family will know the synagogue is behind them."

Monson noted that in dual career families the time they have together is usually "very precious."

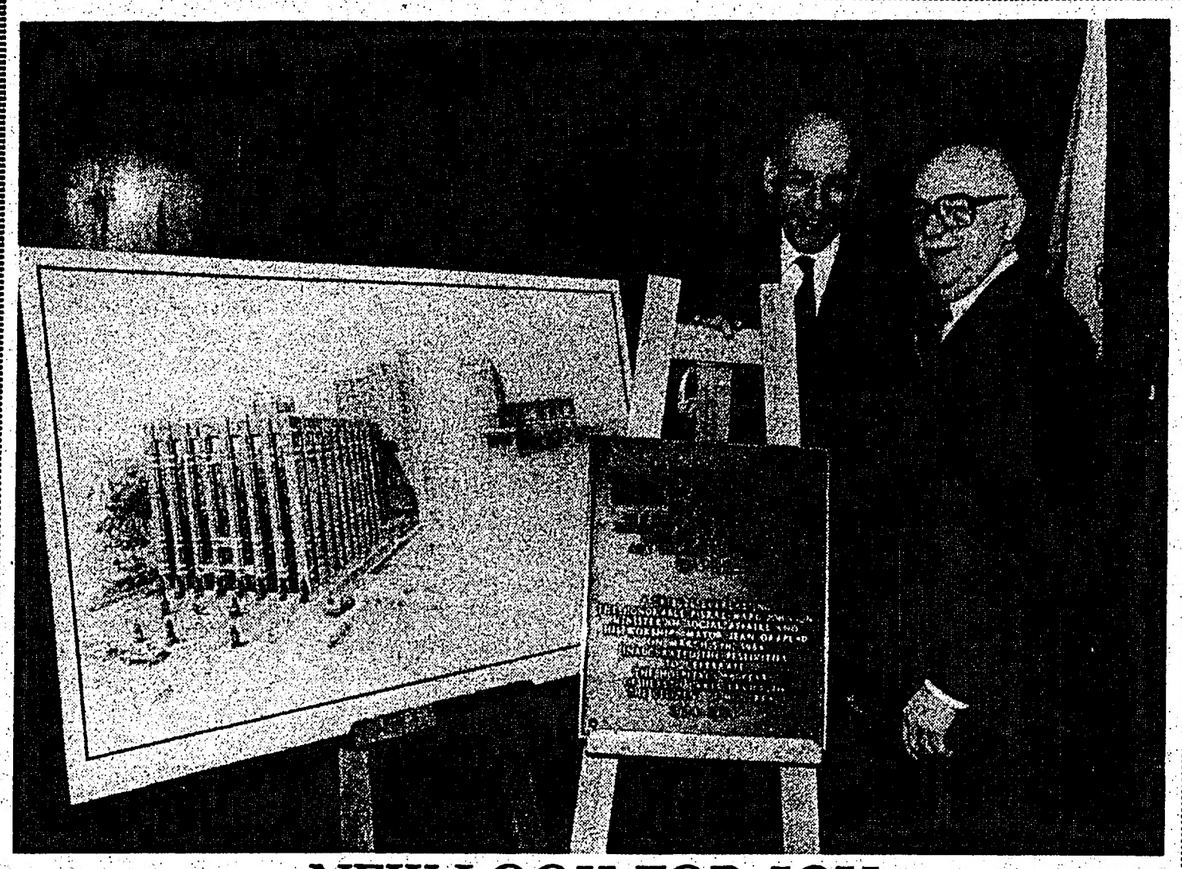
"Synagogues can help here too, by sponsoring family type functions where the whole family can be together," she said.

She said that rabbis must avoid stereotyping the traditional family because "this too can add to the guilt of a dual career family."

She added that with so many wives and mothers pursuing careers, there must be some kind of support system within the Jewish community they can turn to in times of stress.

"Sometimes women suffer discrepancies within themselves. Their head says they are doing right, but in their guts, they feel funny. With someone to talk to, they may feel a lot better."

Monson said that with the Jewish community backing them, dual career families will remain part of the community. "The future of Judaism in an open society must be assured."



NEW LOOK FOR JGH

At the recent launching of Montreal's Jewish General Hospital 50th anniversary celebrations are Mayor Jean Drapeau, right, and Herbert Siblin, president of the JGH Centre Board, with commemorative plaque and artist's conception of what the hospital will look like when expansion plans are completed. The JGH $25 million Development Campaign is now under way with Morty Brownstein acting as campaign chairman.

RC board accepts Jewish students

By PATRICIA RUCKER

CALGARY — **Two Jewish day schools ousted by the Calgary Public School Board last November have been under the wing of the Calgary separate school board.**

In a unanimous vote, the trustees of the Calgary Catholic Board of Education agreed last week to accept 500 students from the Calgary Hebrew School and the I. L. Peretz School as non-resident students.

Under this arrangement, which comes into effect for two years next Sept. 1, the Jewish day schools have access to 100% of the provincial per pupil grants, but not to municipal education taxes.

Under their former contract with the public school board, which terminated when trustees opposed to the affiliation of private religious schools with the public board swept the municipal elections, the schools received full funding on the basis as any other public school, including access to municipal tax revenue.

The agreement requires approval from Alberta education minister David King.

Missing CIC statement raps MP-Arafat meeting

In a CJN story last week on the Canadian MPs-Arafat meeting (Trudeau turns back on MPs-Arafat meeting) a statement by the Canada-Israel Committee on the politicians' visit to the Middle East was inadvertently left out. The statement read:

"The question to be posed is whether Canadian MPS have been embarrassingly duped into legitimizing acts of terrorism committed against the citizens of a friendly country.

"In any case, it's worthwhile to remember that, as citizens of Canada, we ascribe legitimacy to our elected representatives when they purport to represent us as they do. When they travel abroad and when they embarrass us, as they surely have in this instance, we are all worse off for the experience."

Meanwhile, Ian Watson, Liberal MP for Chateauguay, one of the MPs who visited with Arafat, recently shrugged off comments from the CIC and other Jewish groups which protested the meeting.

"Are the Jews in favor of Canada's international policies on the Middle East or are they in support of the present Israel regime's policies, a regime which has a former terrorist as Prime Minister?" Watson asked.

An aide in Watson's office said his boss did not consider himself to be representing Canada on the trip, and that the visit was made as a representative of the Canada-Arab World Parliamentary Group.

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By
DAVID BIRKAN

Eilat, apportioned to the new State of Israel by the United Nations, was wrested from Arab control by the fledgling army's Negev and Golani brigades, on March 19, 1949. The strategic port area, a naval base in King Solomon's and later King Uzziah's times, was back in Jewish hands.

The value of a port for trade and transportation sited at the head of the 120-mile long Gulf of Aqaba, Israel's southeastern tip, was first seen by Solomon and his partner Hiram, king of Tyre. Solomon built the headquarters for his Red Sea fleet at Ezion Geber, about 1,000 BCE, near present-day Eilat. Military, shipbuilding, administration and storage facilities were included.

Ezion Geber's purpose was to allow for the diversion of the northward route of Arabian gold and spices, from an arduous and rugged overland route subject to heavy Midianite transit dues and desert marauders, to a relatively quick and safe passage up the Red Sea and then Aqaba. The same ships plying between Ezion Geber and southern Arabia would also call at African ports to take on ivory, silver, gold and apes.

Approached destruction

After Solomon, the nearby Edomites, a longstanding Arab foe of the Jews, captured Ezion Geber. Jehosophat, king of Judah (the kingdom had split), spurned the Phoenician mariners offered him by the king of Israel in his effort to retake the port, and lost the fleet. Uzziah, king of Judah some 90 years later, recaptured Ezion Geber and rebuilt it closer to present-day Eilat. Judah's hold on Eilat waned with its prominence, as the kingdom approached destruction at the hands of the Babylonians.

During the Hellenistic period, the port was called Berenice, and was heavily garrisoned. Later, under the Nabateans, it was renamed Aila, and linked by an important commercial highway to Gaza. It continued as a major port and military base under the Romans; in the third century, the Tenth Legion, which had conquered Jerusalem and then Masada, was transferred there.

Eilat was conquered by the Byzantines, Arabs, Crusaders, Mamluks, Ottomans, and, in World War I, by the British, who built a police station when it was called Umm Rashrash.

The Israelis found it a wasteland.

With no fresh water of its own and thinly linked to the north, modern Eilat grew slowly. Its 275 inhabitants in 1953 barely doubled in the next three years. Eilat's shipping potential was throttled by Egypt's closing of the Straits of Tiran to Israel-bound cargo.

Blockade led to war

Development rose steadily after the opening of the straits in the Sinai campaign. By 1963, the population reached 7,000, and 11,000 by 1967, when Egypt's renewed blockade led to war. Now, it's about 17,500.

Eilat's development — or redevelopment — as Israel's gateway to East Africa, South and East Asia and Australia was intensified in 1957, when its original anchorage was first enlarged and a road opened to Mizpeh Ramon in the Negev to the north and Beersheba. An oil port was also installed that year in the southwest of the city.

A new port was opened in 1964.

The Eilat airfield, just east of the city, was expanded and given international status. More than a dozen flights daily were established with Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

Desalination plants, trying different methods, were employed to provide drinking water.

Oil pipelines were laid to Haifa and Ashkelon.

Local industries include building materials, jewelry, fish processing, gypsym and metalworking. The area's copper industry, with a past as venerable as the ports itself, employs about 10% of the area's work force, and is a sensitive barometer to the world's economic forces.

Eilat has become an increasingly important tourist centre, providing sunshine, recreation and deep-sea fishing to winter-weary Europeans and Israelis alike. Attractions include the archeological site of Ezion Geber, Coral Island with its Crusader castle, and the Eilat Coral Reserve, an underwater aquarium south of town.

Jewish leaders meet with Shultz

Reagan praised for Refusenik aid

WASHINGTON [JTA]— Morris Abram, Chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, said last week that the Reagan administration is pursuing the "right course" in the effort to help the Jews of the Soviet Union.

"It is an issue which I think the administration is concerned about and is pushing," Abram said after a dozen national Jewish leaders met with Secretary of State George Shultz for an hour at the state department. "I wish some of the Western allies were equally as vigilant on behalf of this international human right."

Abram said the purpose of the meeting was to follow up the one held before the recent European Security Conference in Stockholm and to urge upon Shultz "a continued perseverance and determination on behalf of the rescue of Soviet Jews."

Three major issues in connection with Soviet Jewry were raised. The first was a lack of emigration. Abram noted that there are at least 350,000 Jews who want to leave the USSR.

He said the second issue was to "protest anti-semitism which is rampant still in the Soviet Union."

The Jewish leaders also protested "the use by the Soviet Union and its allies of the United Nations as a megaphone to broadcast anti-semitism throughout the world," Abram said. "The Soviet Union is unfortunately the only great power since Hitler to use anti-semitism as an instrument of national policy."

Abram said Shultz "is totally committed to the rescue of Soviet Jewry and we think that he is on the right course which is the course of determination and the course of perseverance."

Shultz "expressed disappointment that the trickle of Jews that are leaving the Soviet Union is still a mere trickle," according to Abram. "He is not able to say when it will increase, but like ourselves, he is confident that he is on the right course and that eventually there will be an amelioration of the circumstances that presently exist."

Abram stressed that Israel can only protest the situation. He noted that Shultz has brought up the issue of Soviet Jewry in all of his meetings with Soviet foreign minister Andrei Gromyko and has instructed his ambassadors to raise the issue in their meetings with Soviet officials, not as a "throw away item," but as a "front-burning issue."

Abram expressed the hope that Konstantin Chernenko, the new Soviet leader, might allow emigration to increase because of his closeness to the late Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev, under whose regime more than 250,000 Jews left the USSR.

Soviet Jewry Week pronounced by Shamir

JERUSALEM [JTA] — Premier Yitzhak Shamir opened Sunday's cabinet meeting with a brief statement noting that this week is Soviet Jewry Week. He urged all freedom loving people in the world to join in marking the week of solidarity with Jews in the Soviet Union.

"We will never rest until we are reunited with our brothers and sisters from the USSR," Shamir declared.

He said words could not express his love and admiration for Jews in the Soviet Union who are risking their lives and liberty by studying Hebrew, which is forbidden by the Soviet authorities.

Thursday, March 15, will mark the seventh anniversary of the arrest of Anatoly Scharansky, the 36-year-old Jewish activist imprisoned for alleged treason and the first anniversary of the arrest of Yuri Tarnopolsky, 47, for alleged "defamation of the Soviet state and social system."

Both Scharansky and Tarnopolsky had applied for permits to emigrate to Israel, their only "crime." But the Soviet authorities incarcerated them on other charges as a pretext for preventing their departure.

Both men have become symbols of the struggle of Soviet Jews for the right to emigrate and to practice their faith in the USSR.

Many others in the same position endure harassment and face arrest any time on charges concocted to preserve the credibility of Moscow's insistence that it allows Jews to emigrate for the humanitarian purpose of family reunification.

Tarnopolsky, his wife Olga and daughter Irina have been refused visas since 1976. Scharansky has been denied the right to join his wife and mother in Israel.

Pope to meet with FJC heads

GENEVA [JTA] — Pope John Paul II will meet with leaders of the Federation of Jewish Communities when he visits Switzerland in June, it was announced here.

The meeting will be held in the town of Freiburg on the second day of the Pontiff's weeklong visit.

Jewish circles expressed satisfaction that the meeting will be one of the first items on the Pope's agenda. He is expected to discuss with the Jewish leaders such matters as Jewish-Christian relations, holy places, and relations between the Vatican and Israel.

Rabbi arrested

TEL AVIV [JTA] — Petach Tikvah's chief Rabbi, Baruch Salomon, was arrested over the weekend for allegedly leading a mob of ultra-Orthodox Jews who broke into a restaurant that was opened on the Sabbath.

According to eyewitnesses, they broke furniture and doors, smashed crockery, glassware and windows.

The incident was the third in as many weekends where Orthodox Jews resorted to violence to force closure of places of business and entertainment on the Sabbath.

Labor agreement calls for pay hike

TEL AVIV [JTA] — The Histadrut and the Coordinating Committee of Private Enterprises last week signed an agreement on payment of an 8% wage increase, retroactive to February salaries, to compensate for the erosion of incomes due to the lag of cost-of-living increments behind the cost-of-living index.

Quarterly increases are usually based on about 80% of the index rise.

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Editorial

Empty treaty

The recent action taken by Lebanon's President Amin Gemayel to abrogate the May 17, 1983 troop withdrawal accord tends to validate and add new impetus to the thesis endorsed by John Kimche in the February/84 issue of Midstream magazine.

Kimche, an expert Mideast watcher of long standing, observes in his perceptive article that Israel's search for a peace treaty to end all hostilities in the Levant is perhaps misguided.

This English commentator points out that the United States and Germany never signed a peace treaty even though the war that brought them together ended almost 40 years ago.

Kimche shows through this example that peace treaties are not necessary always for the implementation of peaceful living arrangements among former adversaries.

Now Kimche's argument has received powerful new support as a result of the unfortunate decision made by Gemayel.

Not only are peace treatles perhaps unecessary. They are, in the context of the Mideast, worthless when one of the singnatories can merely revoke them through administrative fiat.

Gemayel's decision can be understood in light of the enormous pressures brought to bear on his government by the ruthless people who surround Syria's president, Hafez Assad. Already, Gemayel's abrogation has produced bragadoccio in Damascus.

The boasting, however, is unwise and premature, for it will not redound to the benefit either of Syria or Lebanon. The reason is quite simple.

Gemayel's unilateral abrogation of a treaty with Israel will undoubtedly predispose Israel to rethink its whole attitude toward agreements with Arab regimes.

Deadly count

Peter Gzowski's Morningside is one of the best programs on the CBC. The diverse subjects which host Gzowski handles so beautifully make this an outstanding daily radio event.

Because of the general excellence of the programming, it is understandable that now and again some unfortunate materials are aired.

Recently, Gzowski devoted one segment of his program to the news of the member of the Alberta legislature who had been reprimanded by Premier Lougheed for a statement the MLA had made about the exact number of Jews who died in the Holocaust.

Gzowski's guests, two journalists from Edmonton, deplored the premier's action and suggested that it was imprudent to require individuals to adhere to specific historial interpretations.

During the conversation one of his guests said: "Who knows whether it was six million or five million . . . after all, who was counting?"

It is unfortunate that the question was left unanswered.

The Nazis were counting. The number six million was not arrived at randomly, but was based on statistics which the Nazis themselves accumulated during their war against the Jews.

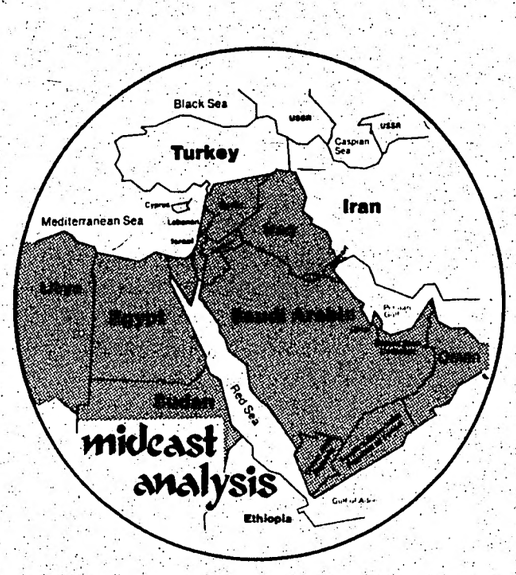
Those damning statistics can be found in any of the reliable documentary sources on the Holocaust. Raul Hilberg, Gerald Ketlinger, Lucy Dawidowicz and other reputable scholars reproduce those statistics (in some cases furnishing the photostats of the actual German records) in their sections on the number of Jews killed.

The executioners, so confident and proud of their odious work, kept meticulous records of their killings.

Yes, someone was counting.

Assad riding high in Lebanon

Syria winner in Marines' pullout



By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Can a small, determined nation defeat a super power?

The odds are against such an outcome, but it is possible.

Nine years ago, North Vietnam — the Prussia of Asia — invaded South Vietnam, routed the South Vietnamese army and marched on Saigon, thereby thoroughly humiliating the U.S.

Having practically busted its budget to prop up the South Vietnamese regime, and having wasted the lives of more than 50,000 of its troops in the jungles of Southeast Asia, the U.S. was forced to abandon a policy that had been torn to shreds by a willful adversary.

The so-called Vietnam syndrome haunted the U.S. for years and prompted a succession of presidents to tread carefully overseas.

With the ignominy of Vietnam still fresh in the minds of manv Americans, the U.S. now stares a second defeat in the face. Eighteen months after President Ronald Reagan dispatched nearly 2,000 Marines to Lebanon, he withdrew them precipitously to Sixth Fleet ships lying in Lebanese territorial waters.

Despite a bold assertion that he would not "cut and run" from Lebanon, he did just that. No one seriously expects Reagan to order the Marines back to Beirut, where they had played no substantial role in bringing peace and stability to that land of broken dreams and shattered illusions.

The main beneficiary of the U.S. decision to pull its Marine contingent out of the Lebanese capital is Syria, Israel's chief military foe.

Syria, the most important Arab regional power, has succeeded in embarrassing the U.S. to such an extent that Reagan must now reassess his entire Lebanese policy.

American policy was based on three tenets: the withdrawal of all foreign forces — Israeli, Syrian and PLO — from Lebanon, the extension of President Amin Gemayel's authority beyond Beirut and environs, and the reconstruction of Lebanon's army.

Syria, together with its Druze and Shiite Moslem allies, has been able to frustrate these objectives.

The Syrians, too, have managed to preside over the dissolution of the multinational peacekeeping force, of which the Marines were an integral part. At the moment, only France keeps troops in Beirut. But even France is contemplating an evacuation. Italy and Britain withdrew at the height of last month's battles in and around Beirut.

The breakup of the force, consisting of some 5,000 hand-picked men, represents a Syrian victory because the Syrians were opposed to its presence. They charged that

Hafez Assad

the NATO powers were really protecting Gemayel, a Maronite Christian whose sect is a small — albeit strong — minority in Lebanon.

Syria's president, Hafez Assad, therefore emerges as the politician to be reckoned with in the tortured tangle of Lebanese affairs.

Indeed, Gemayel's recent pilgrimage to Damascus, where he agreed to cancel the 1983 troop withdrawal pact, reinforces the general belief that Assad is riding high in Lebanon, where his army faces Israel.

Considered an exceedingly tough and shrewd leader, Assad simply outlasted Reagan, who was assailed by an increasing number of domestic critics for getting militarily involved in Lebanon.

In a recent interview, Assad advised Reagan he had two options. He could either pull out, or escalate American involvement. Abdel Halim Khaddam, his foreign minister, was blunter. During a meeting with Reagan's special Mideast envoy, Donald Rumsfeld, he is said to have remarked: "The United States is short of breath. We can wait them out."

Khaddam's comment, prescient in its substance, was grounded in a realistic appreciation of the facts.

Syria has an estimated 50,000 soldiers in its sphere of influence in Lebanon, and Lebanon is perceived by the Syrians as a client state. Israel believes that Syria wants nothing more than to swallow up Lebanon.

U.S. rejected Gemayel appeal

Prepared to fight to preserve its interests in Lebanon, Syria calculated that a couple of thousand Marines could not affect the balance of power there. It was not a far-fetched assumption.

And, the Syrians figured correctly, neither the U.S. nor its partners in the peacekeeping force would be willing to increase their respective commitments to the Gemayel government.

It is not surprising, therefore, that the U.S. recently rejected an appeal from Gemayel for increased use of American naval and air power in direct support of his unpopular regime.

Like the Marines who were compelled to hunker down in their bunkers in Beirut, the U.S. has had to scale down its ambitious plans in Lebanon.

In the view of observers, Reagan made two major errors. He thought he could bring a semblance of order to a country which has resisted stability for the past nine years. And, secondly, he was led to think that Syria would somehow acquiesce to the May 17, 1983 troop withdrawal agreement signed by Lebanon and Israel.

When Reagan and George Shultz, his secretary of state, began to realize that the Syrians would not co-operate, they drew closer to Israel and started to accuse Syria of being an obstacle to a Lebanese settlement.

Syrian-American relations deteriorated sharply last September, when the Sixth Fleet commenced bombarding territory controlled by Syria. Relations took another nosedive when the U.S. charged Syria with having prior knowledge of the Oct. 23 truck bombing, an incident which caused the deaths of 241 U.S. servicemen.

Syria's release of Robert Goodman, an American pilot whose plane was shot down by Syrian anti-aircraft batteries, prompted the U.S. to state publicly that Damascus was no longer trying to thwart a political solution in Lebanon. However, the sudden thaw in Washington's cool relationship with Damascus was of very short duration.

- On Jan. 11, Deputy Secretary of State Kenneth Dam said the Syrians were an obstacle "to progrerss toward reconciliation (in Lebanon) and withdrawal of foreign forces."
- On Jan. 27, Richard Murphy, an assistant secretary of state, said that Syrian "acquiescence in terrorism" against the American presence in Lebanon cast "doubt on its intentions."
- On Feb. 2, Lawrence Eagleburger, the undersecretary of state for political affairs, spoke of "the Syrian-Iranian-Libyan threat" in the instigation of terrorism "as a weapon of policy."
- On Feb. 16, Shultz declared that "Syrian-sponsored violence" was the root cause of the worsening crisis.
- On Feb. 17, Reagan said: "I have to say . . . that Syria, for its own selfish purposes, has been a stumbling block" to peaceful reconciliation of the warring factions in Lebanon.

Despite these assertions, the Reagan administration is not of the opinion that Syria wants to absorb Lebanon. "I do not think that Syria has any aim . . . to wipe out the boundaries that were drawn up in 1943," said Richard Murphy, referring to the historic events which saw the breakdown of Greater Syria.

Although the Americans are at odds with the Syrians over a variety of issues, they basically believe that Hafez Assad desires stability in Lebanon. It will be recalled that the U.S. voiced opposition to Syria's 1976 intervention in Lebanon but that the Ford administration viewed the action in largely positive terms.

Ford and his secretary of state, Henry Kissinger, concluded that Syria was in a practical position to impose order by ending the 1975-76 civil war. Israel, by agreeing to respect Syria's interests in Lebanon, went along with the arrangement.

In hindsight, the Americans were wrong, since the Syrians were unable to pacify Lebanon, or to prevent the PLO from goading Israel into a war.

Can the U.S. reach a new understanding with Syria? It may be possible now that the Marines have left Beirut. The Syrians, however, drive a hard price. They seek "a fundamental change" in U.S. policy that would enable them to call the shots in Lebanon, regain the Golan Heights, create a Syrian-beholden Palestinian state and put some distance between Washington and Jerusalem.

Some Americans believe that a U.S.-Syrian accord is necessary. "Without Syria, there is no hope for a solution in Lebanon or a settlement of the Arab-Israeli conflict," writes Judith Kipper, a resident fellow at the American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research. "The United States must make an effort to separate irreconcilable differences from mutual American and Syrian interrests. Syria is a formidable adversary, but it need not be the enemy of the United States."

Robert Neumann, the former U.S. ambassador to Saudi Arabia, writes that Washington cannot afford to ignore Syria and that its reaction to Syria's strength has been both "sadly shortsighted and simplistic."

Syria and the U.S., he adds, have an interest in gradually improving relations. "Only this can give the Syrians an option other than total and exclusive dependence on the Soviet Union."

Washington's success in the Middle East, he notes, will depend mainly on its ability to "retain a sense of proportion" in its relations with all the nations of the area.

Edgar Bronfman, president of the World Jewish Congress, observes it would be "sensible for Washington to address the disease rather than the symptom — to concentrate on a long-range program aimed at luring Damascus from the extremist orbit and into the moderate camp."

The route to such a goal, he says, is through negotiation, not military confrontation.

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Opinion

Special Purims recorded in annals of our people

By
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The annual observance of Purim with all its festivities marks the escape from destruction of the Jewish community in Persia.

The description of that event in the history of our people is well known to us through the annual recitation of The Book of Esther. Each of the personalities in that story plays a unique role, be it Esther, the Queen, Mordecai her relative, King Ahasuerus, or the evil Haman.

Each year the entire Jewish people highlights Purim with feasting and celebration. However, our annual Purim is not the only Purim in the calendar. The Encyclopedia Judiaca alone lists 110 special Purims — which are observed by communities and families at the appropriate time during the year. Why are these special Purims observed and how did they come into existence?

The Talmud indicates that it is appropriate to return to a place from which one was miraculously saved and offer a special benediction. While the prayer of thanksgiving was considered appropriate, it was felt that more should be done to mark such occasions. Hence, there developed on the part of communities and families the ritual of making the communal date of the escape a time of reciting special prayers, having a communal meal and retelling the story of the event. Thus the celebration took on a Purim-like atmosphere and the personal closeness to the situation made it a unique event in one's calendar.

While some of these Purims are no longer observed, they are still recalled because they mark events of rescue in the history of our people.

Turning for a moment to Israel, itself, there are two famous Purims which have been chronicled. In 1741 the plight of the Jews in Hebron was dire. The small community was constantly under attack from bandits and other renegades who were given full rein by the Ottomon authorities. One of the noted figures in Hebron at this period was Rabbi Haim Yitzhak Carigal who regularly traveled out of the country to raise funds for the poor Jews of the town.

In early January 1741 the local authorities ruled that the Jews in Hebron had to pay a special tax by the 14th of Tevet or else they would be executed. The rabbis were besides themselves — members of the community could not raise the sum required because it was just too large. All appeared lost.

The night before the edict was to come into effect the entire Jewish community gathered together for prayers in which they poured out their hearts.

According to the traditions — as the light of dawn broke the next day, the morning of the 14th of Tevet — a young boy saw a bag on the windowsill of the synagogue, picked it up and found it filled with enough money to rescue the Jews of Hebron. From then on the Jews of Hebron annually celebrated what they called Purim Tabka — "window Purim."

An early 19th century Chinese megillah made for the survivors of the "lost" community of Kai-Feng-Fu. The archer, who represents the executioner, is flanked by a list of Haman's sons. [WZPS photo]

Another fascinating rescue is one which has come to be known as Gunpowder Purim. it is linked to the Danzig family of Vilna.

One of the better known codifications of Jewish law which is still used extensively is known as the Hayyei Adam and was written by Abraham Danzig. In December 1804, the 15th of Kislev, the city of Vilna was rocked by tremendous explosions when the magnesium at the gunpowder factories was accidentally ignited. There was tremendous loss of life in particular among the Jewish community located near the gunpowder factories. Miraculously, the members of the Danzig family were saved from death. Ever since, their descendants have observed on the 15th of Kislev, their own Gunpowder Purim — highlighted by prayers of thanksgiving and the lighting of fireworks.

An annual Purim marked in Tunisia has its roots in the natural elements. In January 1891 a blinding snowstorm was raging in Tunis and many died from the cold and other lack of facilities because of the weather. One of the synagogues in the city became a distribution centre for food and for providing shelter for those whose homes had been destroyed. With each passing day the weather got worse and then finally the snow ceased. The people began to return to their homes.

The night after the synagogue was cleared, the roof fell in from all the snow but fortunately no one was hurt. The Jews of Tunis annually observe on the 24th ot Tevet a Purim Sheleg, a Snow Purim, to mark their rescue.

A recent Purim was instituted by the Frimer family in the United States. Some years ago the B'nai B'rith building in Washington was taken over by a radical group and for several days many of the people working in the building were under siege by the gunmen. One of those caught in the building was Rabbi Norman Frimer, the then national director of Hillel. When, after several harrowing days, he was finally released unharmed by his captors, he decided to mark the event by a special Purim for his family. Ever since the Frimer family annually gets together to mark Rabbi Frimer's deliverance.

Tens of other special Purims are recorded in the annals of our people. They indicate how the Purim festival is deeply rooted in the historical consciousness of communities widely separated in place and time, but united in their sense of historical appreciation.

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PRO & CON

Lebanon, the flashpoint of Middle Eastern tension, continues to fester.

The Jewish World of Long Island says in an editorial that Israel's "grand strategy" in that country has failed. The Toronto Star editorializes that the Lebanese can only be left to themselves to settle their own scores. The Jewish Chronicle of London says that Israel will not easily attain the objectives of ensuring the security of its northern border. The New York Times calls Lebanon a "free-fire zone" of the region's multiple conflicts.

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THE JEWISH WORLD

Talk about role reversals.

As the regime of President Amin Gemayel was being shaken to its very foundations in Beirut, the Israel Defence Forces sat quietly in their encampments in southern Lebanon and the government in Jerusalem made it clear it did not view the rescue of Gemayel to be a national imperative for Israel.

Meanwhile, in marked contrast, the Reagan administration, which in 1982 had loudly castigated Israel for excessive use of force in Lebanon, ordered the U.S. New Jersey to undertake a devastating shelling of mountain areas around Beirut as part of an increasingly ill-defined mission in support of the tottering Gemayel.

The changed roles of the U.S. and Israel made clear the bankruptcy and absurdity of the administration's policy during the 1982 Lebanon war. Indeed, according to Julius Berman, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, unidentified administration insiders told him that they now feel the U.S. made a "critical mistake" in not allowing Israel to "finish the job" in cleaning the PLO and its leftist allies out of West Beirut in 1982 1982 . . .

The truth of the matter appears to be that whether or not Gemayel formally annuls the May 17 agreements, that accord has become nearly irrelevant, given the refusal of Syria to withdraw and the inability of the Gemayel regime to extend its control to the south of Lebanon.

The present policy of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Defence Minister Moshe Arens, which seeks to reach security arrangements with Shiite and other local groups in southern Lebanon that would eventually allow Israel to withdraw, looks like the best of a number of admittedly unpalatable options. Israel needs to get out of southern Lebanon because of its continued casualties and because of the enormous economic burden the occupation has become . . .

Nearly two years after the Israeli incursion into Lebanon, it is clear that the grand strategy of former Defence Minister Ariel Sharon to finish off the PLO and create a strong Lebanese government in close alliance with Israel has failed. We believe that the Shamir-Arens team is displaying a great deal of sophistication and sense in making clear that Israel's goals in Lebanon are the limited ones of securing safety and peace for Galilee, and that the Jewish state has no intention of trying to play a kingmaking role in the murky and convoluted politics of Beirut.

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THE TORONTO STAR

As Beirut stumbles from crisis to chaos, the Americans and Israelis may be tempted to intervene. But President Amin Gemayel's government is not worth the lives that already have been lost propping it up. Not even in an American election year, and not even as the Israelis see their efforts to impose order on the place crumbling.

The Lebanese can only be left to settle their own scores, to exhaust themselves in yet another round of fratricide, and to retreat back into their armed solitudes . . . Abandoning the failing Gemayel government might be to invite a Syrian-Israeli partition of Lebanon, but what's the alternative?

The country is returning to feudal anarchy. That is what Lebanon was before the Israeli invasion of June, 1982, created the conditions which led to the Christian-dominated Gemayel government. And that is what Lebanon will become again if the country's Moslem majority unseats Gemayel and rolls back his efforts to establish a Christian hegemony over Moslem areas.

Although the Lebanese want desperately to see the Israelis and Syrians pull out, they have once again proved too mistrustful and rigid to forge the central government needed to credibly demand such a pullout. The blood feud that is Lebanese society drags on.

The American and Israeli publics have no taste for further adventures. Nor should they. The Israelis have seen their politicians draw them into a Lebanese invasion that to date has claimed 560 Israeli lives. That is a terrible price for having expelled Yasser Arafat from his bases in Beirut; in contrast, Palestinian attacks on northern Israeli settlements in the year prior to the invasion claimed 29 lives. The American public, for its part, has seen 260 Marines die trying to police Beirut airport . . .

The central issue in the Middle East remains the Arab-Israeli conflict. And the Palestinians are at its centre. Until Israel provides self-government for the Palestinians, the excuse for fighting will go on. And yet it will be difficult for Israel to find the will, as long as Arab leaders preserve their own hold on power and gloss over their quarrels by finding a common enemy in Israel.

Lebanon's agony is not the illness; it is the symptom. There can be no cure without treating the underlying causes.

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THE JEWISH CHRONICLE

Only Syria can halt the bloodletting in Beirut, and the Syrians will not do so until they can ensure the establishment in the shattered Lebanese capital of a government weighted in their favour.

All that could have halted the onslaught by their Moslem and Druze allies was a massive infusion of troops and armor, either by the nations comprising the multi-national force or by the Israelis. But the Americans, ever haunted by the memory of Vietnam and under the restraint of increasingly uneasy domestic pressure, have decided they have had enough of the Lebanese vortex and are on the way out.

The Israeli government, also under strong pressure at home to withdraw its forces from Lebanon and nursing the terrible wounds of its failed policy there, has small choice but to watch its erstwhile Christian allies being beaten into acceptance of junior partnership, under Moslem dominance, in any Lebanon which may be rebuilt on the ruins of that which has been smashed to the ground in the latest strife.

Future prospects of a Lebanon living at peace with herself are bleak and she will for long have to be counted among the already numerous Middle Eastern flashpoints, any of which could spark off a major conflagration in the region.

Unless the Israelis want to deliver the Syrians a massive military blow which would leave them reeling, and the nation is certainly in no mood for such a venture, they have no choice but to remain on the sidelines, assessing and reassessing those security measures which will ensure what was the initially stated objective of Operation Peace for Galilee, the safety of Israel's northern borders.

A further measure of withdrawal from Lebanon seems certain. But the long-term prospect is that Israel will have to remain in total control of some part of southern Lebanon until that day when all the pieces fall back into place and co-exist peacefully. The prospect of that happening is as distant as ever. The best Israel can look to in the short-term is some kind of armistice with the militias in the south which will preclude the return of the Palestine Liberation Organization and recognize Israel's right to ensure her own security. But even that limited objective will not be easily attained.

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NEW YORK TIMES

Lebanon lies shattered because it became a free-fire zone for the multiple conflicts of the region: Moslems versus Christians, Shiite versus Sunni Arabs, Iranians versus Iraqis, Israelis versus Palestinians, Syrians versus Israelis, the radicals of northern Africa versus the royalists of the Persian Gulf. Over all hangs the Soviet-American rivalry, prudently pursued so far mainly through proxies.

It is foolish to think that whatever might still be pasted together in Lebanon could cool all these antagonisms. And even a new order for the Palestinians would not produce "stability."

To say that America cannot buy peace with concessions wrung from Israel is not to justify all the positions of the present Israeli government. For its own sake, and the future of the region, Israel needs to give the West Bank Palestinians real autonomy and a promise of something better than absorption into a Jewish state. It also needs a vision of a future that will pacify its frontiers and reduce its great dependence on the United States . . .

Opinion

Museum bills Oppenheim as "first Jewish painter"

By
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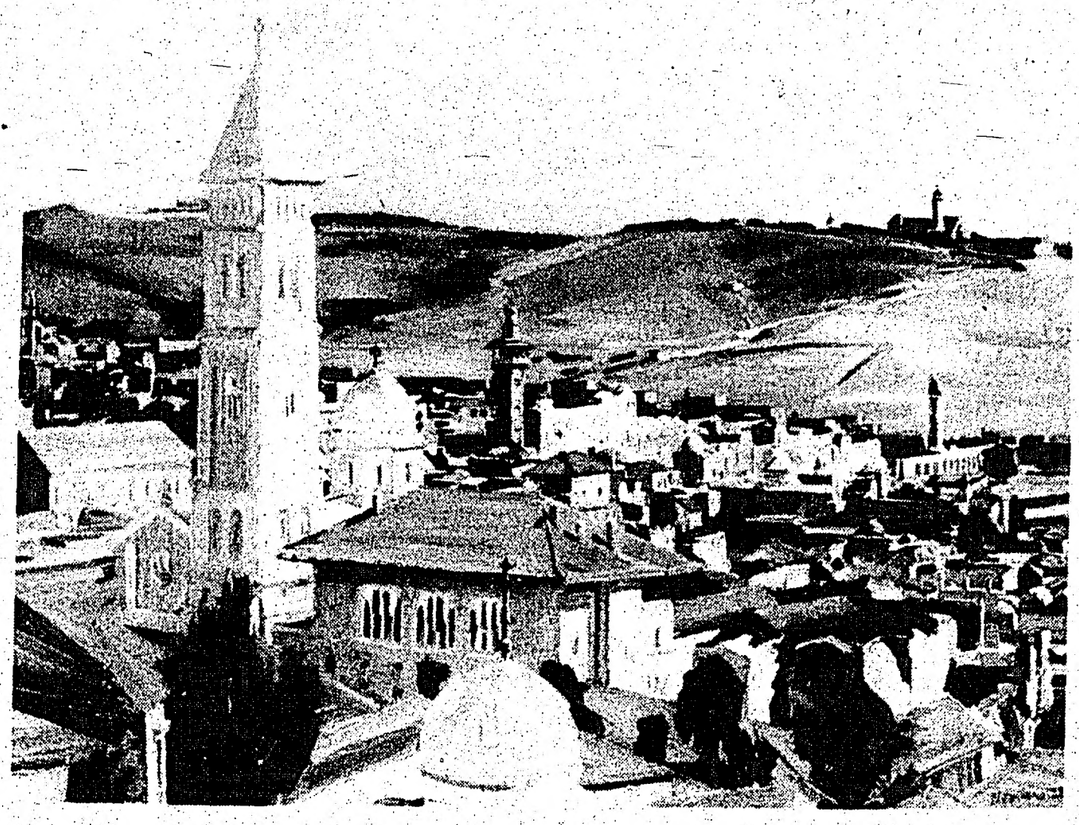
JERUSALEM —

Visitors to the Israel Museum in Jerusalem over the last few months have had the opportunity to see two very different exhibitions on two Jewish artists: Moritz Oppenheim and David Bomberg.

Oppenheim, a German-Jewish artist born in 1800, witnessed in his lifetime the emergence from the ghetto and the struggle for emancipation. The exhibition bills him as "the first Jewish painter," not only because he entered the mainstream of European art, rather than staying within the confines of earlier Jewish artistic traditions, but because he did so as a Jew, resisting conversion as a means to success.

His association with the Rothschild family brought him recognition and wealth, though he is best known for his domestic paintings of German Jewry, which found their way around Europe and into the hearts of some of the major Jewish communities.

By contrast, the English artist David Bomberg, born into an Orthodox, immigrant Polish family, a century later, never received much critical or popular acclaim in his lifetime. It was only after his death in 1958 that he began to be recognized as an influence in British art.



Jerusalem, view of Mount Scopus, 1925, by David Bomberg.

The current exhibit of his works covers mainly the years he spent in Palestine from 1923 to 1927.

Early on, Bomberg developed an avant-garde cubist style, sharing with other painters of the period a fascination with the mechanical aspects of industrial civilization. However, during World War I, he saw active service in France and was shaken by the devastation of which the machine age was capable. He decided to travel to Palestine, joining a distinguished line of artists and writers drawn to the Holy Land to seek artistic inspiration and personal renewal.

Bomberg's passage was paid by the Zionist Organization who commissioned works on the halutzim (labor pioneers). Some of these paintings and posters for the Palestine Restoration Fund appear in the exhibition, but they convey a strange lack of conviction — one gathers that the dignity of Jewish labor made no great impression on Bomberg. His artistic interests were kindled far more by the landscapes and architecture of Jerusalem and nearby sites.

He abandoned his abstract angular style for a new realism in his paintings for the British Mandate officials who were his patrons, though his attention to light, shade and mass, revealed his cubist antecedents. Through the use of color, he explored the strange tricks of light, distance and time of day in the Judean landscape. A 1923 painting of Siloam is restricted to greys and olive green. A painting of the south-eastern corner of the Temple Mount is executed with great clarity and in brilliant, jewel-like colours, whereas a twilight picture of Mount Zion reveals smudgy outlines — the whole mountain seeming to float in a violet and russet glow.

The viewer is struck by the almost total exclusion of the human element from Bomberg's Palestine paintings. Never do the rocky prominences, rooftops and domes suggest the noisy, jostling market places below. Except for his oddly depersonalized pioneers or Armenian priests in the Cathedral of St. James, the variety of humanity in the Holy Land appeared not to interest him artistically.

The richness and color of his Armenian pictures seem to provide the link between the Palestine period and the abstract expressionism of his later works. His palette now expresses a darkly explosive mood, like a volcano sending forth flashes. And here he focuses on the human personality, creating brooding, introverted portraits, painted in Spain in the 1930's. Last of all, one comes on a 1955 painting called Hear O Israel: a Jew clasping a Torah scroll, powerful and self-absorbed. Almost the only "Jewish" painting in the entire exhibition, it is a curiously moving, late work in a career now recognized as important in British 20th century art.

To go from the Bomberg exhibition to the Oppenheim works is to cross over to a world of sweetness and domestic warmth, full of people, sentiment, humor and life. The exhibition of over 40 paintings, drawings and documents was made possible by the Rothschild Foundation. It is the first major retrospective of Oppenheim's works since 1900. Most of the works were a gift from the artist's estate, in 1958, to the Bezalel National Museum, now part of the Israel Museum.

Oppenheim was born in Hanau in 1800, and, despite his later fame, was only awarded citizenship of the neighboring city of Frankfurt, after protracted efforts. The struggle of German Jewry for emancipation, carried out with great tenacity and frequent setbacks, is mirrored in Oppenheim's own career.

Emerging from the ghetto, his talent was early recognized and he received a rigorous artistic apprenticeship in Germany and Italy. He became associated with a group of German artists known as the Nazarenes because of their Christ-like appearance and personal piety, and shared with them a love for biblical subjects and early Italian art. Yet he clung tenaciously to his Jewish traditions, frequenting often the homes of the wretchedly poor and persecuted inhabitants of the Rome ghetto.

While still in Italy, his work came to the attention of the Rothschild family. Thus began a long and profitable association in the course of which Oppenheim was official artist and art agent to three generations of Rothschilds. As time went on, Oppenheim became increasingly drawn to the Jewish milieu. This interest coincided, happily for him, with what became known as the Biedermeier Period in art, literature and furnishings — Biedermeier being the prototype of the honest burgher and the solid domestic virtues.

Oppenheim's series of affectionate portrayals of Jewish family life, including such favorites as The Wedding, 1861 and Sabbath Afternoon, 1866, was widely reproduced in his lifetime. However, critics today consider that the fame and popularity of his Jewish family scenes overshadowed his reputation for skilled and delicate drawing, and his talent for portraiture.

Outstanding examples of the latter in the exhibition are his illustrations for Goethe's Hermann und Dorothea (partly on the strength of which, Goethe recommended that Oppenheim be awarded the title of Professor), his drawn portrait of Gudula von Rothschild, and his portraits of Heinrich Heine and Fanny Hensel-Mendelssohn, sister of the composer.

However, it would be wrong to underestimate the importance of his more famous work, especially in the context of the great Jewish issues of the day. Beneath the sweetness and nostalgia, his pictures were didactic in intent. The painting of the Jewish soldier returning to his family, or The Rabbi's Blessing in which a plaque with the prayer for the ruler is visible above a collecting box for the poor of Jerusalem, were meant to make the point that national obligations were entirely compatible with attachment to Judaism. In a way, Oppenheim was fighting on two fronts: to advance the Jews in the civil, cultural and professional spheres, while countering the Jewish as well as gentile critique of Judaism as narrow and primitive, and the ghetto as mean and uncultured.

Paintings such as Havdalah or Eve of Yom Kippur, convey a sense of the high degree of spirituality, compassion, learning and dignity of the Jewish family.

Oppenheim himself was a highly successful embodiment of the capacity to straddle both worlds which became a distinguishing mark of German Orthodoxy: to function in the civil sphere while drawing spiritual nourishment from Jewish practice, values and solidarity.

Embassy site contradicts U.S. policy around world

The U.S. Senate foreign relations committee has been holding hearings on a bill by Senator Daniel Moynihan of New York calling on the United States to move its embassy in Israel to Jerusalem.

Here is a digest of a presentation made on the subject to the senators by Thomas A. Dine, executive director of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee.

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The American embassy in Israel is located in Tel Aviv, 40 miles from Jerusalem, Israel's capital, where for more than 30 years the offices of Israel's President and Prime Minister, the Knesset (parliament), and most government ministries have been located.

In no other country in the world is the American embassy located outside the administrative capital. Even the American embassy to Communist East Germany is located in East Berlin, although the U.S. does not recognize Berlin as the capital of the German Democratic Republic.

One incident at the Senate foreign relations committee hearing last week revealed the extent of the confusion this situation has generated: When witnesses testifying against the transfer of the American embassy to Jerusalem were asked, "What is the capital of Israel?", four out of five witnesses — ostensibly well-informed Americans — asserted that the capital of Israel is Tel Aviv.

More important than the confusion of current policy, however, is the fact that this policy is not an even-handed one. The United States appears to have a consistent rule for the rest of the world, including a member of the Warsaw Pact, and another unjustified rule for Israel, a friend and ally.

Jerusalem is the embodiment of Jewish history, the heart and soul of the Jewish people. Ancient Israel's capital was Jerusalem as surely as modern Israel's capital remains Jerusalem. Throughout the centuries of exile and dispersion Jerusalem was the focus of Jewish national and religious yearning.

Since 1967, the once-divided city has been reunited under Israeli control with freedom of access guaranteed to all holy sites for peoples of all religions. No Israeli government which so much as implied relinquishing Jerusalem as Israel's capital could survive in power for a day.

Present U.S. policy attempts to refute these realities by maintaining the embassy in Tel Aviv. The ambassador is allowed no "official" role or status in Jerusalem, despite the fact that he deals directly and frequently with the government of Israel located there. Curiously, an American consulate in Jerusalem operates independently of the embassy and reports directly to Washington. Just as disturbing is the fact that the state department has also sought to discourage other countries from establishing their embassies in Jerusalem.

The contradictions and inconsistencies inherent in America's current Jerusalem policy — divorced as it is from reality — do not end there. For example, the state department has designated East Jerusalem "occupied territory," since it came under Israeli control in June 1967, thereby implicitly and post facto recognizing Jordanian sovereignty over that sector (which the U.S. had refused to do while Jordan was actually in control there from 1948 to 1967). Yet, the U.S. continues to refuse to recognize Israeli sovereignty over West Jerusalem, under Israeli control since 1948.

Washington has, since 1967, espoused the principle of an "undivided" Jerusalem, refusing to acknowledge the reality that the city is already unified. To add insult to injury, American officials are forbidden by the state department to meet with Israeli officials in East Jerusalem.

Moreover, by insisting that the city be undivided but that its status be subject to negotiations, the United States is implying that even West Jerusalem could be handed over to the Arabs.

Sentiment has been building among many members of the United States Senate and of the House of Representatives to end this affront to the Jewish state and to bring U.S. policy in line with the reality that Jerusalem is and will remain the capital of Israel. Indeed, at this very moment there are bills in both Houses of Congress calling upon the Administration to do just that. The Senate foreign relations committee hearings will soon be followed by hearings in the House foreign affairs committee.

Some object to the timing of this effort to change policy. Hillel answered them best: "If not now, when?"

For more than three decades, successive administrations have avoided the reality that Jerusalem is, has been, and always will be the capital of Israel. We have pursued a policy of avoiding the obvious — Israeli sovereignty over any of Jerusalem, even the western part of the city which has always been an organic part of the modern State of Israel. For two long we have perpetuated a bad policy; the time for change is long overdue.

Most Americans would endorse such a change. Recent public opinion polls indicated that a sizeable majority of Americans not only supports Israeli control over a unified Jerusalem, but also believes that Jerusalem should be recognized as the capital of Israel.

President Reagan himself, both as a candidate and an imcumbent, has voiced his preference for a "unified Jerusalem under Israeli sovereignty." Walter Mondale has unequivocally called for a transfer of the embassy to Jerusalem. Fritz Hollings and Alan Cranston have co-sponsored the bill now on the Senate floor calling for the relocation of the embassy. And the flurry of congressional activity on the issue reflects a growing discontent with the current policy.

Nevertheless, some would argue that moving the embassy should await the conclusion of the peace process. But that may require another 35 years. In any case, even then, Jerusalem will still be Israel's capital.

Others contend that such a move would damage the peace process. Yet, the embassy can be moved to West Jerusalem, which has been an integral part of Israel since its establishment in 1948. The relocation of the embassy to West Jerusalem need not be tied to the wider issues which surround the eastern part of the city and suburbs.

Moderate Arabs, like the late President Sadat of Egypt, who recognize Israel's right to exist also recognized Israeli sovereignty over west Jerusalem. They would have no reason to protest the embassy's relocation. Other elements in the Arab world might oppose this step because they oppose the existence of Israel. But American policy cannot be held hostage to these rejectionists or made subject to an Arab or Moslem veto.

Recognition of Jerusalem as Israel's capital could actually serve as a signal to the rejectionist Arabs that time is not on their side. In fact, former President Gerald Ford termed the present Jerusalem policy "an impediment to a regional peace settlement."

It is time for the administration to accept reality and transfer the American Embassy to Jerusalem. If not now, when?

Opinion

It looks like Trudeaumania has risen again

By
J. B. SALSBERG

It seems that the Canadian media and all our "public spokesmen" (whatever that designation may mean) have never heard of the ancient Jewish sages. Had they heard of them they would have been aware of the sound advice offered by one such sage not to praise great men while they were still alive.

J. B. Salsberg

That assumption is triggered by the avalanche of praise that descended upon our Prime Minister, Pierre Elliot Trudeau, the moment he made known his decision to resign from the leadership of the Liberal Party and, consequently, from the prime ministership of our country.

The Canadian airwaves were still reverberating with news of this announcement when the stampede of wellwishers and eloquent singers of his praise got under way wherever a TV camera, a radio microphone, or a news reporter was to be found. This phenomenon manifested itself not only on Parliament Hill but all across this vast country.

It began to look as if Trudeaumania had once again engulfed our fair land.

As for myself, who has never been a big-L Liberal, the experience was not unwelcome, our ancient sages notwithstanding. Better that leaders merit praise than curses and, heaven knows, that Trudeau had to put up with more curses from the "know nothing" yahoo section of our population than most past prime ministers. Besides, putting all partisan politics aside, I have had and continue to have an appreciative, warm regard for the man.

In the past, when asked to explain my attitude towards him I would fall back on a proverb that my wise grandmother, Miriam Sheva, used to offer. She used to say: "It is better to lose with a wise person than to win with a fool."

How true!

Of course I disagreed with some of his policies and, of course, I was critical of some of his positions, but just as Trudeau says that "Canada is greater than the sum of its parts," so one can say that the man Trudeau is greater than the parts that make a man.

I knew of Trudeau (but not Trudeau himself) long before he became one of the "three wise men" of Quebec who, despite their long period of criticism of the Liberal Party, joined that party on the invitation of Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson.

In those years, anyone whose public, political life brought him in contact with Quebec and the "French Canadian problem" could not but be pleased with the

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau chats with JB.

emergence of men like Trudeau who heralded a new approach to that central and critical issue that politicians of the old school failed to resolve. Trudeau's name began to symbolize Quebec's social and political emergence from its long, wintery isolation.

Like others in Ontario I heard, during the Duplessis era, of the young intellectual in Montreal who championed civil liberties, trade union rights and a Canada that would afford Quebec and all French Canadians all the national and linguistic rights and opportunities that English Canada enjoyed.

Those were stirring and promising messages to receive in the rest of Canada by all who were aware of the justified grievances of French Canada and who were eager to remove the "historic injustices" that threatened the very existence of Canada.

I first met Trudeau in person in April of 1960 (before he joined the Liberals) in Ottawa at a seminar arranged by Carleton University. The subject on the occasion was The Angry 30s. Among the invited speakers were Prof. Frank Underhill, a founder of the CCF, myself (your humble scribe) and "young" Trudeau, the prime force in the Cite Libre and the elitist circle that gathered around that publication.

During the recesss that followed my address, Trudeau introduced himself and he asked whether I would be around the following day when the Cite Libre group would be heard from about Quebec during the Great Depression. Unfortunately I wasn't able to stay over but he did add my name to the Cite Libre's mailing list and I received his publication as long as it appeared.

Since The CJN editor found the adjoining photo in the paper's picture archives, I will have to reduce my normal output to make room for it. It should be explained, however, that (1) I did not know of its existence; (2) it was not taken at the above mentioned seminar, but (3) was taken at a national executive session of Canadian Jewish Congress that was addressed by the Prime Minister, and while we exchanged recollections.

However, I've only begun to warm up, as they say and will, therefore, continue on the theme next week. It's a date.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters are welcome if they are in English, no more than 250 words, typewritten with lines double spaced, and of interest to our reading public. Readers are cautioned not to make sweeping claims against persons or institutions which they cannot verify, as libel laws are very stringent. We reserve the right to edit letters.

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WOMEN'S PLACE IN HOME?

I'm writing in response to the spate of letters you've published attacking Rabbi Moses Burak for his Feb. 9 column headed "Can women be ordained as rabbis."

I'm writing in defence of Burak for presenting the view of an Orthodox adherent. In fact, I believe the good rebbe did not go far enough.

I'm of the old-fashioned school of Judaism convinced that a woman's place is in the home. As a male brought up in that tradition, I can't see myself baring my soul to a flighty female rabbi who can't possibly comprehend my masculine concerns.

Samuel Shapiro
Toronto

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DEPLORES PATRIARCHY

I feel compelled to make some comments on your ongoing letters forum about the ordination of women rabbis dating back to Rabbi Friedberg's controversial statement last Nov. 10 headed, "Seminary's decision on women called serious error."

The defenders of the rabbi's position don't understand that terms such as "equality," "rights" and "discrimination" are not at variance with the spirit of Judaism. Also, that the fight to allow the ordination of women is not just an outgrowth of "American unisex" [whatever that term used by Rabbi Friedberg means].

It is part of women's fight for religious acceptance, against a background of patriarchy and discrimination, for so long inherent in our religion.

Let us hope that the Conservative movement will continue to be a light unto the nations, and I look forward to a brighter religious future for both women and men.

Rita Wilder-Craig
Toronto

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KICKS POLITICO'S FOOTBALL

"Those who forget the lessons of history are condemned to relive it."

The leaders of Jewish organizations remember the embarrassment of the Canadian Jewish community during and after the 1978-1979 federal elections over the Jerusalem embassy issue. The unfortunate results, of allowing Jewish issues to be a battleground between political parties in a Canadian federal election, became obvious to all. In fact, many would say that the fallout was not yet finished.

Another federal election is now on the horizon. A strong consensus has been reached among the same groups of those involved in the community that our community must not fall into the same trap. This consensus has been expressed over the last several months at meeting after meeting, including one which heard Solicitor-General Robert Kaplan express precisely this point of view.

As a dedicated Tory, a member of Brian Mulroney's national leadership team, and twice candidate in the riding of St-Henri-Westmount, I was obviously aware that such an unwritten agreement meant allowing the Liberals off the ropes on Mideast issues. As a current candidate for the nomination to represent my riding in the next federal election, it has meant abandoning a key issue for the debates to come.

However, as a Jew, I agreed immediately and so informed my party.

I, therefore, was distressed to read "Kaplan reaffirms Liberal position" in the Feb. 16 Canadian Jewish News. As I understand the story, Kaplan is ignoring his own advice. He is specifically making Jewish concerns an issue to be debated in a federal election.

As well, he describes the views of every major Jewish organization, which have been clearly expressed to Mr. Trudeau, to Mr. MacEachen, and in the media as "blown out of proportion and hyped up before an election." A shabby way to treat his friends.

Finally, he is asking us to accept the evidence of the Kuwait Times to support his position. I personally am unable to make such a leap of faith. I wonder how many Canadian Jews can.

The voiced, agreed desire to keep the Jewish agenda from becoming a political football is still valid and important. I intend to observe it. Perhaps someone can persuade Mr. Kaplan to do the same.

B. J. Finestone
Montreal

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HATS OFF TO MAGGIE

Prime Minister Trudeau in retirement will have more time for the kids, estranged wife, Margaret says.

Hats off to Margaret Trudeau for her selflessness, true parental spirit and love, in the best interest of their children, Justin, Sacha and Michel.

H. Max Selden
Toronto

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NICE ARCHIVAL BOOST

As director of the Toronto Jewish Congress/Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region Archives, I had to let you know how beneficial Frank Rasky's recent article about the Archives has been for us.

Individuals who had never heard of Archives, or had not thought their material important, have called and offered a variety of important items. As a result, our collection has been enhanced.

Readers who have Ontario Jewish memorabilia worthwhile sharing are urged to get in touch with us at (416) 635-2883.

Stephen Speisman
Toronto

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Private David Ben Gurion at Windsor, NS, army base, June, 1918.

BEN GURION IN CANADA

Paul Lungen's March 1 article headed "Ben Gurion compared to Moses" omitted the little-known fact that Israel's first Prime Minister and defence minister learned the military arts in Canada.

Yes, the historical records show that in June, 1918, he trained at an army base in Windsor, N.S., under the supervision of Canadian and British officers, before sailing for the Middle East as a private in the newly formed Jewish Legion, fighting on behalf of the British. And, to prove it, there's available a picture of him in the uniform of the British Army, photographed when he was at Windsor.

Joseph Levine
Halifax

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NO "COLLECTIVE GUILT"

Congratulations on your Feb. 2 editorial, "Banish Guilt."

German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's visit to Israel could have been more successful, if it were not for the Paula Feigelsohns who calls your editorial "naive and incorrect."

Whether or not Chancellor Kohl was a member of the State Youth of Germany in 1939 (whose name was not of his doing) is entirely irrelevant to the issue. Ms. Feigelsohn, who makes much of the fact that she was all of 9 years old in July 1939, was thankfully spared the fascist indoctrination members of the State Youth Organization of Hitler's Germany were compelled to be subjected to.

Had Ms. Feigelsohn lived in fascist Italy, she would, as an Italian Jew, have had to serve in Mussolini's Fascist Youth, the same as all other Italians were compelled to do.

I am a year older than Ms. Feigelsohn, and did not leave Germany until August, 1940. So I lived through the same harrowing times.

Those who committed crimes should certainly receive their punishment, and it is a fact that the authorities of Germany do administer justice to those who are charged with and convicted of crimes.

This gives no carte blanche to the kind of collective condemnation which is implicit in Ms. Feigelsohn's suspicions. Chancellor Helmut Kohl's parents, Roman Catholics, were obviously in no position to have their son enrolled in the Boy Scouts or the Catholic Youth Movement, as Hitler outlawed in the non-Jewish German youth movements except his own.

One does not accuse or condemn any one for simple membership in an organization, especially not when such membership was compulsory to begin with.

Klaus J. Herrmann
Montreal

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NO FAT FARM

Re Marlo Fieldstone's sensitive piece of journalism in your Jan. 26 issue about the Bonaventure Intercontinental Spa in Florida, headed "Writer finds fountain of youth":

I particularly appreciate your maintaining focus on Bonaventure as a fitness centre rather than a "fat farm" or "pampering palace."

Alan Helfman
Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

World-National

Decision affects Jews everywhere

Doctors get back pay after winning Saudi case

[Cont'd. from page 1]

ference in wages received as members of the Baylor staff as opposed to what they would have received if they had been permitted to participate in the King Faisal program. The total amount of awards to Abrams was $156,840.30. The awards to Linde totaled $248,982.08.

The consolidated cases were brought under Title VII of Civil Rights Act of 1964 that prohibits religous discrimination in employment, and were also brought under provisions of the Export Administration Act. Violations of both Title VI and the anti-boycott provision of the Export Administration Act were found.

Commenting on the case, Stuart Nelkin, attorney for the two doctors declared: "I am elated with the decision, not only for my clients, but also because I believe this decision is much bigger than the individual plaintiffs. It affects American Jews everywhere in this country, and I hope it is a precedent for continued policing of discriminatory actions by employers and suppliers adhering to the Arab boycott."

DeAnda's findings noted that the objective criteria established by Baylor for participation in the program regarding anesthesiologists are that: the person must be a member of the Taylor department of anesthesiology faculty; and that the person must be certified by the American Board of Anesthesiology or hold an equivalent foreign certification recognized by the Boards.

According to DeAnda, "The evidence clearly established that both plaintiffs met the objective criteria set forth immediately above during times material to this lawsuit."

The judge also stated "The evidence shows that no qualified medical personnel employed by Baylor who were Jews have been afforded any rotation in the King Faisal program" since its inception in 1978.

The findings added:

"The court finds that, as was true of Dr. Abrams, the sole reason for Dr. Linde's non participation in the program is because Baylor administrators made it clear that Jews could not participate in the rotation. The court finds that Baylor has not established any bona fide justification for excluding Jews from the King Faisal program. These exclusionary practices were undertaken unilaterally by Baylor's administrative officials.

"There is no evidence to show that Baylor officials took any appropiate steps to determine the actual policy of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia toward Jews participating in the program. Moreover, Baylor took no steps to alleviate or rectify the effects of any perceived discriminatory practices and policies on the part of the Saudis."

Continuing, the judge found that "the ready acquiescence of Baylor officials in furthering the perceived Saudi exclusion of Jews is in stark contrast to the nondiscriminatory policies which were implemented by two other institutions engaged in programs similar to the King Faisal rotations."

DeAnda noted that officials of the university of Colorado Medical School and the University of Washington Medical School "insisted that nondiscrimination clauses be included in the agreements they entered into with the Saudis and that those clauses would be enforced. There is no reason to conclude that Baylor would have been unable to achieve the same results if it had only attempted to do so."

The court found that "the discrimination against Jews was intentional, and that there was indifference and insensitivity on the part of the Baylor officials who actually administered the King Faisal program regarding the issue of whether Jews could participate in that program."

Redeployment of forces

Israel eyes south Lebanon

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

While leaders of Lebanon's eight warring factions gathered this week in Lausanne, Switzerland to confer on putting an end to their bloodletting, Israel was considering options for a redeployment of its forces in southern Lebanon.

Israel Radio said that the army has been asked to submit concrete options for a new line to replace the one along the Awali River. A new defensive position would enable Israel to thin out its forces in Lebanon.

Israel's chief of staff, Gen. Moshe Levy, said he could not offer any "miracle solutions" to relieve Israel of the burden of being in Lebanon.

But he pointed out that a quick withdrawal to the international border — which the Israeli Labor Party is advocating — would not solve Israel's problems.

Defence Minister Moshe Arens said that Lebanon's decision to scrap the 1983 accord with Israel would have no influence on Israel's deployment in southern Lebanon.

But he did say that Israel was engaged in discussions with various Lebanese groups in areas under its control, so that agreement might be reached on security matters should Israel withdraw completely.

Israel hopes to create a network of Lebanese militias which would thwart any attempts by the PLO to re-establish itself in southern Lebanon in the event of a total Israeli pullback. The effort has not been too successful so far, according to reports.

Meanwhile, Israel publicly dismissed a trial balloon floated by the Lebanese government to renegotiate security arrangements in southern Lebanon.

Still and all, observers said, the Israelis may reconsider if Syria — which forced Lebanon to cancel the 1983 agreement — acquieseces to such a plan.

The Reagan administration, having expressed "regret" over Lebanon's cancellation of the agreement with Israel, said it would not take part in any discussions on Lebanon that do not include Israel's "legitimate" concern for the security of its northern border.

"We would not participate in any discussion or negotiations that did not take that priority into account," state department spokesman John Hughes said.

Hughes called the scrapped agreement "the only agreed formula for insuring both Israel's withdrawal from Lebanon and Israel's legitimate security interests in a manner consistent with Lebanese sovereignty."

He said that "those who were responsible for the rejection of the agreement must now find an alternative negotiated formula for bringing about an Israeli withdrawal."

3 killed, 8 injured in bus bomb blast

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

Three people — two women and a man — were killed and eight injured when an explosion ripped through an Egged bus near the central market and bus station in Ashdod last week.

In Damascus, the radical Abu Nidal Palestinian group took responsibility for the blast — the second attack on a civilian bus in about three months.

Last December, in Jerusalem, six Israelis were killed when a bomb went off in their bus.

The terrorist attack was the first carried out in Ashdod, and the town council was to meet in special session to decide on steps to be taken to try and prevent recurrences.

Daily chapters

Thursday, March 15, is the Fast of Esther; the Bible reading for the day, Esther 3:1-4:17, tells the story of her fast and her devotion to her people.

The portion of the week, read on Friday, is Tzav, Leviticus 6:1-8:36; the haftorah for Shabbat Zachor, the Sabbath of Remembrance, is I Samuel 15:1-34.

Complete the story of Esther by reading chapters 5-7 on Purim (Sunday) and 8-10 on Shushan Purim (Monday); then return to the book of Amos, reading chapter 4 on Tuesday and 5 on Wednesday.

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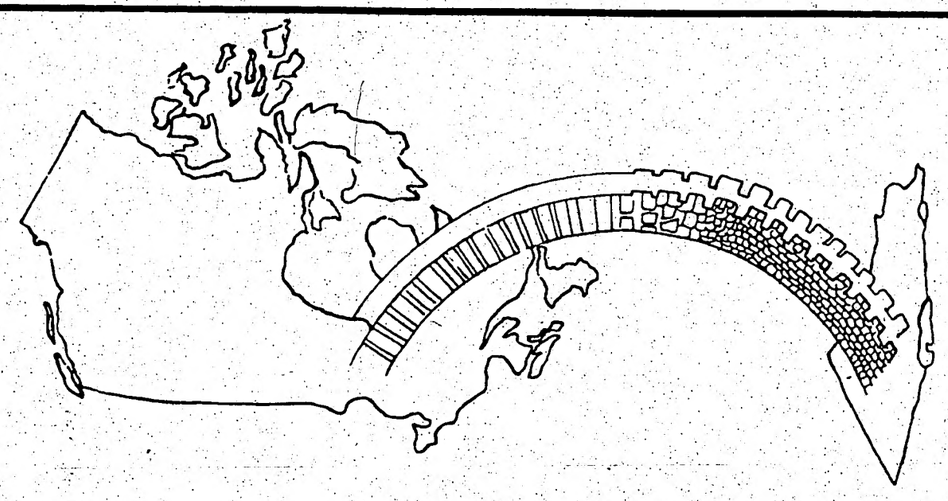

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Allocation of funds causes concern in Hamilton

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — The future of the Hamilton Jewish community came under lively debate at a panel discussion and community-wide meeting at Shalom Village recently but there was disappointment that the severe blizzard prevented scheduled guest speaker Donald Carr from getting here.

Provocatively entitled Crisis In Our Community — Going Down The Drain, the debate centred around growing concern over the community's diminishing funds and the need to determine what its priorities should be and how they should be set.

Taking part in the panel were David Steinberg, chairman, 1984 United Jewish Appeal campaign; Mel Gunn, JCC president; Dr. Morris Blajchman, chairman of the board of the Hamilton Hebrew Academy and Rabbi Bernard Baskin of Temple Anshe Sholom, with Hamilton Jewish Federation executive director Samuel Soifer as moderator.

Discussing the argument of local needs versus those of Israel, the choice for Steinberg was simple. "If it comes to a choice between subsidizing programs here in Hamilton for the relatively affluent and withdrawing aid from the absorption and settlement of immigrants to Israel from countries such as Russia, Romania or Ethiopia, my choice is to invest in Israel."

Mel Gunn, on the other hand, felt that "a strong Jewish community centre would lead to the development of a strong community committed to Israel."

A declining JCC has long been a bone of contention here, but "a successfully operated JCC," he thought, would not only "lead to a more aware community that recognizes the value of the UJA dollar but we would have a much higher image of ourselves and as a result, raise more funds because we would appreciate where our local dollars are going."

In Blajchman's view, the problem is "that we don't know where we're going and we're not prepared to make decisions" but he was "very clear in my own mind that funding for Jewish education is the highest priority for this community or, in fact, for any community in North America."

Considering Hamilton has three strong synagogues with a high percentage of affiliation — 85% as compared with about 50% in Toronto — a very good day school and two afternoon schools, Shalom Village, a JCC and "a full range of organizations to serve the needs of the community," Rabbi Baskin felt that with a population of about 4,000 Jews "the big problem is nisht da genug yiden — there are not enough Jews;" that the community is growing older "and that we are losing our young.

"We are a vital, concerned and involved community," he said, but he was bothered by the constant emphasis on raising money, which "turns people off, especially the younger ones."

More thought should be given to cooperation between religious bodies, he added, and we should develop "a little more heart — tzedakah in the larger sense — and love of our fellow Jews."

Speaking from the floor, Samuel Taylor, disagreed with the rabbi. "We have enough Jews. The problem is we don't have enough committed Jews!"

"I have heard two words," noted Taylor, "commitment — of which we don't have enough — and priorities — of which we have too many. Let's forget about priorities," he urged, "and concentrate on supporting this community."

In conclusion, Federation president Jack Brown, announced that the newly elected board has set 10 objectives which, together with some new long-range planning, "will make Hamilton positive, forward looking and (which) will meet all our needs."

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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

DEADLINE CHANGE

Please note that there will be a change of the deadline date for material for the What's New and About People columns, starting with the April 5 issue. The deadline is moved back to Wednesday at noon of the week prior to publishing date. [I.e. for the April 5 issue, the deadline is Wednesday, March 28, at noon]. I will be at my desk on Tuesdays all day and on Wednesdays until noon to receive your phone calls. No use calling me Thursdays. I won't be here.

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PURIM FUN

Shaarei Zion-Associated Hebrew Congregations-Young Israel of Toronto is having an adult masquerade and children's party on Saturday, March 17, at 6100 Leslie St. It all begins with the reading of the megillah at 8:30 p.m. There will be lots of food, nash and fun, all for $20 per family. For information, call **Rabbi Bomzer** at 225-0536.

NAAM MEETING

NAAM (North American Aliyah Movement) meets on Tuesday, March 20, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, Sisterhood Hall. Guest speaker will be **Nir Gur**, North American shaliach for housing and settlements. This is the last meeting until after Passover. For information, contact the Israel Aliyah Centre at 665-7772.

CHALLENGE OF TELEVISION

On Wednesday, March 21, the Parents Association of Eitz Chaim Schools is presenting noted lecturer **Avi Shulman**, of Torah U'mesorah, the national society for Hebrew day schools, in a talk on Meeting the Challenge of Television. This lecture is part of the adult education series. It takes place at 8 p.m. at Eitz Chaim Willowdale branch, 475 Patricia Ave.

JUDAIC ART

On Monday, March 19, the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood is holding a general meeting featuring **Hannah Sandberg**, who will present a slide presentation and discussion on Judaic Art - A Different Approach. Refreshments will be served. Meeting is in the Arback Hall of the synagogue at 8:30 p.m. Guests charge is $2.

AT SHAAREI TEFILLAH

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation's Purim celebration on Saturday, March 17, features the Neshomah Orchestra and a full course Chinese dinner served by Peter Graben Caterers. Cost is $15 for adults and $7.50 for children. To reserve or for information, call the synagogue at 787-1631.

On Sunday, April 8, at 8 p.m. the congregation is sponsoring a cantorial concert with **Cantors Ben-Tzion Miller** of New York (her was formerly cantor of Shaarei Tefillah), **Yaacov Modzin** of Montreal, and **Yitzchok Aptowitzer**, present cantor of Shaarei Tefillah. Tickets may be obtained from the synagogue office.

Shaarei Tefillah will be having two Orthodox traditional Passover seders at the synagogue April 16 and 17. For information and reservations, call the synagogue office.

KEHILLAT SHAAREI TORAH

Kehillat Shaarei Torah, 2640 Bayview Ave. (north of York Mills), will celebrate Purim with a unique reading of the megillah on Saturday evening, March 17, at 7:30. The reading is an animated one which brings to life the characters of the megillah. This will be followed by a Purim kiddush and havdala.

On Sunday morning, March 18, schacharit is at 9 and will include the reading of the megillah as well.

Purim dinner is Sunday afternoon at 5. Reservations are still being accepted. Call the synagogue at 229-2600.

SHAAR SHALOM

Shaar Shalom Synagogue's Purim carnival on Sunday, March 18, includes games, refreshments and entertainment. Children are asked to come in costumes for a fashion show. It all takes place at 2 p.m. at the synagogue, 2 Simonston Blvd., in Thornhill. For information, call the synagogue at 889-4975.

HILLEL STUDENTS, U OF T

Thursday, March 15, is International Solidarity Day with Soviet Jewry at City Hall with a 5 p.m. service. Call Hillel House for details.

At the Friday, March 16, Shabbat dinner **Rabbi Moshe Silverman** will speak on Haman vs. Mordecai and Vashti vs. Esther. Services are at 6:07 p.m. with dinner at 6:50. Charge is $5 for members and $6 for non-members.

Saturday, March 17, the great annual Purim Bash returns to the Great Hall in Hart House at the University of Toronto. Megillah reading takes place at 8 p.m. in the Debates Room. Then the Purim Bash follows at 8:30 with a live band. Admission is $2 with Hillel membership or costume and $3 without either. There will be a cash bar.

Call **Betty** at Hillel at 923-9861 for further information.

NCSY UPDATE

The National Conference of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) continues its Free Jewish High School program every Tuesday from 7:30-9:30 p.m. for high school students grades 9-13. Classes are held at Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St. Guest speaker on March 20 will be **Rabbi Yosef Yarmush**.

NCSY is holding a special Shabbaton for Jewish deaf youth March 23-25 at Clanton Park Synagogue. All youth (including hearing students), ages 14-25 are invited. **Rabbi Eliezer Liederfeind**, national director of Our Way (programs for deaf Jewish youth) will be present to co-ordinate the event.

For information on all NCSY programs, contact the NCSY office at 3600 Bathurst St., Toronto M6A 2C9 or call **Richard Winkler** at 782-7052 or 782-3117.

LA LECHE LEAGUE

La Leche League of Willowdale invites pregnant and nursing mothers to a discussion of The Art of Breastfeeding and Overcoming Difficulties. The group will talk out a nursing session in slow motion and discuss hospital routines, baby care and mother care, as well as cover issues of concern to mothers of older babies. The meeting takes place on Monday, March 19, at 8:15 p.m. at 464 Patricia Ave. (east off Bathurst, north of Finch). Babies are welcome. Kosher refreshments will be served. For information call **Elaine** at 663-8003 or **Adrianne** at 665-4120.

PARENTS OF ASTHMATIC CHILDREN

A general meeting of Parents of Asthmatic Children of Southern Ontario is slated for Tuesday, March 20, at 8 p.m. The topic under discussion will be Asthma Emergencies and Hospital Stays. The meeting will be held at the Ontario Crippled Children's Centre, 350 Rumsey Rd. For further information, contact **Elaine Rose** at 881-8416 or **Joan Naert** at 292-6335.

WILMINGTON TINY TOTS

Space is still available in the Wilmington Tiny Tots Drop-In program for the 1-2½-year-olds running April 3-June 21 and the Co-op program for the 2½-4-year-olds running April 2-June 22. Call **Jo-Lynn** at 635-1993 for Drop-In and **Judy** at 633-5155 or **Rina** at 665-4744 for Co-op information.

IFF MEETING

At the IFF (Infertility, Facts and Feelings) meeting on Wednesday, March 21, a team from Omega Management Consulting will speak on Effective Communication Skills. The time is 7:30 p.m. at Bathurst Heights Library (Bathurst and Lawrence). For further information, call **Jan** at 368-4927.

ABOUT ILEITIS & COLITIS

The Canadian Foundation for Ileitis & Colitis is holding an educational meeting dealing with Nutrition in Inflammatory Bowel Diseases on Wednesday, March 21 at 8 p.m. at the John F. Wyllie Building, Room 228, 89 Humber College Blvd., in Rexdale. Speaker will be **Dr. Jeff Axler**, Etobicoke General Hospital.

EARL BALES PROGRAMS

The Earl Bales Afternoon drop-in program for parents and pre-schoolers (newborns to 5 years) runs Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:30-4 from March 27 to June 14. Registration is March 27, Earl Bales Community Centre, Room 1, from 1:30-4 p.m. For information, call **Sue** at 638-4330 or **Marlene Hesas** at 636-0359.

The day camp for boys and girls 4-11 years of age will have two sessions this summer — July 3-27 and July 30-Aug. 4. To register, call Marlene Hesas at 636-0359 or 224-6277.

GUEST SPEAKER HANA GARTNER

At a meeting of the Toronto Association of Professionals in Jewish Communal Service on Wednesday, March 28, guest speaker **Hana Gartner**, co-host of CBC TV's The Fifth Estate, will discuss If It's Better For Women ... It's Better For Men.

Hana Gartner

The meeting takes place at 12 noon at the Lipa Green Building, 3rd floor, 4600 Bathurst St. Bring dairy lunch or lunch is available at $3.50. Admission for non-members is $2. For further information, contact the president, **Bernard Shoub**, at 633-7770.

AMAL MISSION TO ISRAEL

Canadian Friends of Amal is sponsoring a special young peoples mission to Israel. The objective: to introduce the young people of Toronto, the under 50s, to the tremendous scope of activities that Amal schools offer to Israeli youth. Because this is an introductory, once only, offer, the participants are only asked to provide air fare. All land arrangements in Israel, hotels, meals and ground transportation will be provided by Reshet Amal Schools. There are no commitments of any sort requested. Just come and see.

For further details, contact **Hy Fogelman** at 630-9444.

TRIVIA NIGHT

Yedidot Branch of National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto section, is having a trivia night on Saturday, March 24, at 8 p.m. at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St. Grand prize is a weekend for two at the Constellation Hotel. Tickets are $8 per person. Join in an evening of fun, prizes and refreshments by calling Council House at 633-5100 or 881-5175 for tickets and information.

ABOUT REFUSENIKS IN USSR

At a meeting of the New Fraternal Jewish Association on Wednesday, March 21, **James Peterson**, MP for Willowdale and chairman of parliamentary committee on behalf of Soviet Jewry, will discuss Meeting With Refuseniks in the Soviet Union. The time is 8.30 p.m. at the centre, 120 Overbrook Pl. Everyone is welcome.

PURIM BUFFET AND DANCE

A Purim buffet and dance, complete with music, prizes for the best costume and a belly dancer, is being sponsored by Atzmaut Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO on Saturday, March 24, at 8 p.m. at Earl Bales Community Centre (in the park at Bathurst and Sheppard). Charge is $12.50 per person with proceeds going to Israel. Tickets are available at the door.

ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM

Adath Israel Congregation's Monday evening adult education program is now in full swing.

Jewish Law and Lore: Halacha and Aggada with **Rabbi Erwin Schild** and **Prof. Libby Garshowitz** of the University of Toronto runs from 8-9 p.m. until April 9 and then continues at the same time from April 30 to May 28.

A History of Survival, a 4-week mini-series based on classical texts and documents, is given by **Rabbi Barry Kenter** until April 9, from 9.15-10.15 p.m.

The Joy of Singing, with **Cantor A. Eliezer Kirshblum** conducting adult choral group, is at 8 p.m. You may join as a new member or come back as one who has already participated in the fall season. You need not be a music reader or read Hebrew but only possess a pleasant singing voice.

On Tuesdays from 7.30-9 p.m. the brotherhood offers a Hebrew reading practice program based on the Shabbat morning service.

The brotherhood also sponsors a Hebrew literacy program focusing on the Friday night Sabbath service. It runs from 8-10, one evening a week.

Call the synagogue office for information about all programs at 635-5340.

SPRING FASHION SHOW

On the first day of spring, March 21, Beth Tikvah Sisterhood is presenting a Spring Affair fashion show at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. It promises to be an elegant affair with the latest in fashion styles, colors, textures and accessories from Gerry Goldblum Fashions, plus a special treat of dessert crepes as well as pastries and coffee. Admission is $10. For further ticket information, call **Marilyn Cohen** at 223-2955 or the synagogue office at 221-3433.

PURIM CARNIVAL

Shaarei Shomayim youth are having a Purim carnival on Purim, Sunday, March 18 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is for youngsters up to 12 years of age and has booths, games, magic, balloons, costume parade and door prize for everyone. Refreshments will be available. There will also be special booths for the 4- and 5-year-olds. Admission is free and you can purchase tickets (seven for $1 for members and five for $1 for non-members) for the games and booths when you are there.

JIM AND ROSALIE CONCERT

Temple Sinai Nursery School is presenting its final fund raiser for the season. It is **Jim and Rosalie** in concert for children of all ages. The date is Sunday, March 25 with two performances — 1.30 and 3.30 p.m. Tickets are $4 at the door or call the school office at 487-4161 and ask for **Nona**.

KASHRUTH SEMINAR

COR (Orthodox Division of Toronto Jewish Congress) is sponsoring a kashruth seminar and Passover workshop on Wednesday, March 28, at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave.

The seminar, entitled Nutrition, Lifestyle and Your Health, is at 8.15 p.m. It features panelists **Jennifer Welsh**, chairman, department of food, nutrition, consumer and family studies, Ryerson Polytechnical Institute; **Rabbi Yitzchok Kerzner**, vice-chairman, Rabbinical Vaad Hakashruth, and **Irving Feldman**, president of Toronto Jewish Congress and chairman, Orthodox Division. Moderator will be **Cynthia Gasner**, Information and public relations, COR.

The workshop, The ABCs of Making Passover, with **Rabbi Baruch Taub** and **Esther Schwartz**, is from 7-8 p.m.

This event is open to the community.

IN-HOME HEBREW SCHOOLS

In-Home Hebrew Schools of Toronto is holding an open meeting on Tuesday, March 20, at 8 p.m. at Wilmington Public School, 200 Wilmington Ave. A network of semi-private home Hebrew school programs is being planned for the fall, in addition to a joint Hebrew program with the North York Montessori Learning Centre at the Wilmington School.

The meeting will be in Room 1 on the

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A TORONTO CONCERT

Joanna Cowan returns to her hometown Toronto, or at least it is home town to her parents, former Torontonians Philip and Carolyn Cowan, to appear in a recital (she plays the flute) at Holy Blossom Temple on Thursday, March 22. The Cowans are now living in Berkeley, Calif., where her father is a professor of psychology at the University of California there.

Joanna, a University of Southern California graduate, is presently enrolled in a Masters degree course at Northwestern University in Chicago.

Her grandparents are Norman and Bertha Cowan who will be missing out on the concert as they are wintering in Coronado Island, a suburb of San Diego, and Ben and Lee Pape, all of Toronto.

By the way, the recital is at 8 p.m. and there is no admission charge.

RESEARCH INTERN

Sean Fine has been appointed research intern for the League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada.

Sean Fine

Born and raised in Toronto, Mr. Fine, 23, is a graduate of the four-year journalism program at Carleton University. A former co-chairman of the Human Rights Committee of Carleton students' association, he was also co-founding editor of L'Chayim, Ottawa's Jewish student newspaper from 1982-83.

In his new position he will research and write briefs on a wide range of subjects with expert lay committees; research, write and design brochures on various League concerns; develop new education programs; organize and maintain the League's information resource centre, and represent the League on various community bodies.

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second floor, and the southeast entrance will be open. For information regarding the In-Home program, call **Rabbi David Cooper** at Adath Sholom Synagogue office, 635-0131.

NER ISRAEL YESHIVA

Ner Israel Yeshiva invites you to attend two shiurei Halacha. **Rabbi Zvi Fleisher**, a noted sofer (scribe) in Toronto will lecture on the various aspects of safrus (the art of the scribe) on Monday, March 26, at 8 p.m. **Rabbi David Zucker**, Rosh Kollel in Chicago, will lecture on Hilchos Chol Hamoed on Monday, April 2, at 8 .m. Rabbi Zucker has published a highly acclaimed sefer on this subject.

Both talks will be given in English and there will be a question and answer period.

Rabbi Uri Mayerfeld, an instructor of Talmud at Ner Israel, conducts a Daf Yomi in English every evening at 7.30 at the yeshiva.

The yeshiva's address is 625 Finch Ave. W. There is ample parking in the back, behind the Beis Hamedrash.

BETH TZEDEC MEN'S CLUB

Jacob Pachter of the Bank Hapoalim will be the speaker at the Beth Tzedec Men's Club breakfast meeting on Sunday, March 18, at 10 a.m.

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP

The Widows and Widowers Group at Beth Sholom Synagogue is holding a Purim celebration on Sunday, March 18, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue. Costumes are encouraged. There will be folkdancing and refreshments.

FOR THE RECENTLY WIDOWED

The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows program provides an opportunity for emotional support for the recently bereaved through one-to-one contact with another widow and/or group meetings. The next meeting is set for Sunday, March 18, from 12 noon to 1.30 p.m. in Rooms A and B of the Wagman Centre. Group co-ordinator is **Helen Brown.**

A new self-help group for recent widowers over 55 years of age has been formed. The next meeting takes place on Thursday, March 15, at 7.30 p.m. in the Wagman Centre library. This supportive service is non-sectarian, free of charge and open to men widowed less than two years. Membership in the Wagman Centre is not required. For information call the centre at 789-5131, ext. 477, and ask for **Alan Steinberg.**

ETHIOPIAN JEWRY BENEFIT

On Thursday, March 15, Jewish Student Federation and Adath Israel Synagogue are holding a benefit for Ethiopian Jewry, hosted by **Eugene Levy** of SCTV, and featuring a buffet, professional and amateur entertainment (including cabaret dancer **Tova (Judy) Bricks**). Buffet is at 7.30 p.m. and entertainment at 8.30. It all takes place at Adath Israel, 37 Southbourne Ave. Admission is $7.50 for students $10 for non-students. For tickets, call JSF at 667-3647 or the synagogue at 635-5340 and ask for **Perla**.

ENJOYING YOUR TODDLER

The National Council of Jewish Women of Canada, Toronto section, is now accepting registrations for its three Enjoying Your Toddler programs (9-14 months; 15-21 months, and 22 months to 2 1/2 years). All programs will begin in April and fee will be $35 for 10 sessions. For further information and registration forms, call 633-5100 (voice or TTY).

NA'AMAT RETREAT

Pioneer Women Na'amat announces an Eastern Region leadership training program which will take the form of a Na'amat Retreat to be held in Kingston, Ont., March 23-25. Structured for the purpose of training executives of PW's younger groups, the retreat will afford young women from Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto and Hamilton the opportunity to participate in sessions geared to their specific needs.

National vice-president of membership, **Rhona Blanshay**, who is the retreat chairman, reports that in addition to the workshops, **Prof. Gerry Tulchinsky** of Queen's University will lead a discussion on Zionism.

BAYCREST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Baycrest Centre urgently needs volunteers to assist with afternoon craft programs. Volunteers need not have special craft skills, but should enjoy working with older people, and interested in helping them gain satisfaction through making simple craft articles.

For people interested in a psychiatric setting, a new program at Baycrest needs volunteers to assist patients improve their feelings of self-worth through grooming and makeup instruction. This work would require a six months' commitment.

For more information, call the Volunteer Centre at 481-6194.

at the jcc

The Koffler Gallery Turns to Glass exhibit opens March 23 for a run to April 27 at the Koffler Centre of the Arts of the Jewish Community Centre, 4588 Bathurst St. The **Koffler will exhibit glass sculpture by nine** Finnish glass artists. The Koffler Loggia Gallery features 14 Canadian artists in stained glass. The Showcase Shop has glass goblets and paperweights and the Leah Posluns Theatre is showing Czechoslovakian glass sculpture in the main lobby until March 25.

Father and Sons group — Dads, join this new group and spend time with your sons Sunday afternoons from 2:30-3:30 and enjoy crafts, outings and sports. Group starts March 25. Call **Ellyn Waldman** at 636-1880.

Women for Action — Response has been great for this group which discusses women in Judaism, role changes, pornography and mnay other current issues. You can take your choice of Tuesday evening or Thursday from 1-3 p.m. meeting times. Call **Lisa Nerman** or **Mindy Coplevitch** at 636-1880, ext. 220.

Come out and see a magic show PACE (Public Affairs and Continuing Education) department of the Koffler Centre of the Arts is presenting Monday, March 19, from 12:30-2 p.m. **Martin Somers** will not only perform magic but will also talk about the Psychology of Magic. This is part of the Topics Unlimited series. Admission is $1. For information, call **Georgine Nash** at 636-1880, ext. 233.

Our Way, a program for physically handicapped youth 15-25 years of age, is invited to attend the JCC Purim celebration on Sunday, March 18, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Then a meeting will follow at 3:30 with Our Way members to plan upcoming programs. For information, call Mindy Coplevitch at 636-1880, ext. 220.

The JCC, Maccabi Canada and Youth & Hechalutz sponsored Israeli Week takes place at the JCC northern branch March 18-21. **Highlights include Purim celebrations on** Sunday, March 18 from 11 to 3 p.m. with refreshments, entertainment, dancing, music and fun for all; a talk by Israel Consul-General **Gideon Saguy** at 8 that evening followed by singer **Aelita**; a panel discussion on Women in Israel on Monday, the 19th, at 8 p.m.; a session on education in Israel on Tuesday, the 20th, at 8 p.m., and a panel dealing with settlements in Israel on Wednesday, the 21st, at 8 p.m.

At the Bloor branch — The annual Purim carnival at the Bloor branch of the JCC, 750 Spadina Ave., takes place Sunday, March 18, in the main auditorium from 12:30-2:30 p.m. This event will be catered by Maven's Restaurant **and is designed for families.** Entertainment, carnival booths and costumes are all part of the celebration. For more information, contact **Mark Egan** at 924-6211 ..... The annual Passover seder is Tuesday, April 17. Seating is limited and reservation are necessary. Cost is $20 for adults, $15 for seniors and $10 for children. Call Mark Egan ..... Volunteers are needed for both the Purim and Passover festivities. If you can help, call Mark Egan..... The Stroke Recovery ongoing program takes place every Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. For information, contact Mark or **Annette Anker** at 924-6211.

At the North-East branch — Register now for an exciting variety of programs for your pre-schooler for spring. Choose from a 2-morning-a-week co-op for 2-year-olds, a new cooking class for mothers and 2-year-olds, pre-school music programs as well as the successful Fun for Moms and Tots (toddlers to 2 years), a Red, Yellow, Blue and Glue (2-year-olds), and Sunrise and Sunset for the 3-5-year-olds. Call **Linda Friedman** at the NE office at 889-0813.

Registration is also being accepted for adult classes in bridge, fitness and computer. Call Linda Friedman about these programs too.

singles

Jewish Singles Coffee House Plus, sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre and Jewish Singles Project Connect, will be held Saturday, March 17, at the JCC northern branch, 4588 Bathurst St., beginning at 8:30 p.m. Use of gym, pool and locker rooms is included as well as the Coffee House which features special entertainment, An Evening of Improv Comedy with members of Theatre-sports. This is open to all singles. Admission is $2 for members and $3 for non-members. For more information, call **Susan Levine** at 889-0813.

The **Beth Tikvah Chai Singles** meeting on Sunday, March 18, will feature the Beth Tikvah Choir under the leadership of **Srul Irving Glick** in a program of Israeli and Jewish songs. Children are welcome. The time is 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave.

The **40 + Singles Holy Blossom Temple** meets on Sunday, March 18, at 8 p.m. in the **Philp Smith foyer for a Purim celebration complete with social games, folk and regular** dancing led by **Shelley Gordon.** Refreshments will be served. There is an admission charge for non-members.

Jewish Singles Project Connect's One-to-One program connects recently separated, divorced, widowed or never married for **emotional support, with a volunteer who has** experienced a similar situation. Call 731-4600 mornings.

Rabbi David Cooper's second annual singles trip to Israel, departing May 1, is still accepting deposits. Itineraries are available for those wishing to join the tour. Contact the rabbi for copies of the itinerary and further information at 635-0131.

JCC Singles 40 + Shushan Purim celebration is on Monday, March 19 at 8 p.m. in the Seniors Lounge of the JCC northern branch. **Costumes are not necessary, but bring a sense** of humor. This is part of the weekly Coffee House held for this group. For information, call 636-1880, ext. 332, or **Doris** at 636-1687.

North-East Jewish Single Parents social on Saturday, March 17, is a Bohemian Evening with entertainer **John Jensen** providing music for your dancing and listening pleasure. The time is 8:30 p.m. at the JCC Valley, 7015 Leslie St. Wine, coffee and cake will be served. Fee is $4 for members and $6 for non-members. Call **Susan Levine** at 889-0813 for information..... The family Purim celebration is on Sunday, March 18, from 2-4 p.m. at Seneca Village Community Centre, 1700 Finch Ave. E. It includes carnival games, Purim crafts, prizes for best costume, hamantashen and more. Charge is $1 for members and $2 for non-members. Call Susan Levine for more information..... The second session of the Moving Forward-Putting Divorce and Separation Behind You series on Wednesday, March 21, will focus on Blended Families with guest speaker **Helen Sugar** of Jewish Family & Child Service. The time is 8 p.m. at the JCC Valley. Charge is $2 for members and $3 for non-members..... The general meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 22, at 8 p.m. at Hillcrest Public Library, 5801 Leslie St. (please note that change from Wednesday to Thursday is only for the month of March). The topic of the evening will be Coping With Separation and Divorce with **Karen Kofko,** social worker. Charge is $2 for members and $3 for non-members. For more information you can call Susan Levine.

Circle Monday, March 26, on your calendar. That's the date **Judea Lodge B'nai B'rith is sponsoring its Spring Singles Bash at** the Inn on the Park. Details to follow next week.

If you are interested in a trip to southern climes, the **Nashville Jewish Singles** invites ya'all to come on down for a Jewish singles roundup May 25-28. (That's the American Memorial Day weekend). Here's your chance to spend an exciting weekend in Music City USA. To receive a program/registration form, send name and address to **Jack Guttman,** 242 Iroquois Apts., Nashville, Tenn., 37221, phone number (615) 356-8011; or **Linda Schlanger-Harris,** 503 Belle Meade Blvd., Nashville, Tenn., 37205, phone (615) 352-6779.

for seniors

Workmen's Circle Social Club (+ 60) is having a Purim dance on Tuesday, March 20, with a special lunch with all the trimmings and dancing to the music of **Paul Mathew**'s instrumental band and **Fern Dworkin** as singer. **Rabbi David Monson** will be present. New

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GOING FAST

Places at the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University dinner dance April 26 at the Four Seasons Hotel will soon be hard to find if the people working to promote it keep up their current pace, according to the discussion at a recent committee meeting in the office of Friends national president Dr. Ralph Halbert. The event, which will honor the Hebrew University of Jerusalem itself, features guest entertainer Sammy Davis Jr. Patrons will honor the university by establishing major family endowments. Among those who attended the meeting were, left top right: Abby Beker, Lionel Schipper, Berta Lunenfeld [who is on the university's board of governors], Dr. Gerry Halbert [national secretary of Canadian Friends], Esther Sarick and, seated, Jack I. Hauer, one of the dinner co-chairmen.

MILLION DOLLAR PROJECT

Chairman of the State of Israel Bonds Million Dollar Note Project in Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue David Anisman [second from left], and his wife Sandra, have led the Monte Carlo evening to success for nine consecutive years to raise funds for Million Dollar Note purchases. With them, with awards presented for outstanding support for the project, are left to right: James Graff, project co-ordinator; James Harris, synagogue treasurer, and Sydney Himel, synagogue president. [Rosalie Favell photo]

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members are welcome. The time is 12 noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. For reservations, call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

Holy Blossom Temple Alumni is having **Joel Verbin,** executive director, Jewish Information Service, at the meeting on Wednesday, March 21, at 1:30 p.m. His topic — Community Affairs.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club features Purim Shpiel with the Heritage Players directed by **Nathan Garnick** on Monday, March 19, at 1 p.m. Purim refreshments will be served..... Ongoing programs include exercise on Monday and Thursday mornings at 10:30 and dance classes on Wednesdays from 12:15-1:15.... Call **Vera Shulman** for information at 638-4163.

The film, A Rose By Any Other Name will be shown at the Bloor branch of the Jewish Community Centre on Thursday, March 15, at 2 p.m. with discussion to follow. There is no admission charge and everyone is welcome. For information you can call **Mark Egan** at 924-6211. The Bloor JCC is located at 750 Spadina Ave. (at Bloor).

The **Cranbrooke Friendship Club** meets on Tuesday, March 20, at 1 p.m. at 585 Cranbrooke Ave. for lunch, a Purim party with hamantashen and entertainment. The guest will be the well known storyteller **Philip Cohen.** Everyone is welcome. Charge for members is $3 and for non-members it is $3.50. For information, call **Eva Brownstone** at 787-3606.

Club Chaverim meets on Mondays at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. The program on March 19 at 1:30 p.m. is all about Purim with a talk by **Rabbi Robert Marcus**, a parade of costumes by the pre-schoolers of the United Synagogue Day School plus Carla the Clown. Come and bring your grandchildren..... Morning programs include oil paintings, beginners bridge, and English as a second language. Bring your lunch (dairy) or choose from a variety of cheeses, herring, egg and tuna salads, fresh fruit and vegetables — all you can eat for $1, and then stay on for the afternoon program. For information, call **Rose Shapiro** at 889-0813.

The **Senior Citizens Club of the Labor Zionist Alliance** is having a Purim party on Saturday, March 17, at 7:30 p.m. at 272 Codsell Ave. Guest speaker **Joseph Kligman,** principal of the Borochov School, will talk about The Significance and Meaning of Purim. Refreshments will be served and dancing will be to the music of **Morris Turk**'s orchestra. Some tickets are still available. Call 633-8579 to secure your tickets. President of the club is **Jack Goldbach**..... The Gershon Grossinger Cultural Circle meets on Tuesday, March 20, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and every Tuesday thereafter. Everyone is welcome. Theme of the discussion will be Purim and Current Events. The chairman is **Nechemiah Knobel.**

On Tuesday, March 20, **Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50** will present a program of English, Yiddish and Hebrew songs by the Jewish Community Centre Singers conducted by **Esther Ghan,** accompanied by **Sara Barkin.** Everyone is welcome. Refreshments and coffee will be served. Non-members are charged $1.50. Meeting begins at 1:15 p.m.

Earl Bales Seniors Place is now open and welcomes back all members and prospective members. Call 636-7856 Mondays to Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for information..... The line and ballroom dancing with **Ada Goldblatt** on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9:30 starts March 21. Please note the change in the starting date. For more information you can call Mrs. Goldblatt at 636-9796.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club invites you to a Purim luncheon on Tuesday, March 20, at 12:30 p.m. at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. In addition to refreshments there will also be entertainment. Everyone is welcome. This is by reservation only. Call **Carl Pasternak** at 633-2997.

A reminder that the **Adath Sholom Jubilee Club**'s trip to Israel with **Rabbi David Cooper** on May 1 is still accepting deposits. The March 15 deadline for the $300 deposits has been extended for those who have already indicated they are joining the tour. For further information regarding the tour and copies of the itinerary, contact the Adath Sholom Synagogue office at 635-0131.

The public is invited to attend Passover service seders at the Migdal David Residence for Senior Citizens. The seders will be led by **Cantor Efraim Sapir** and the meals will be prepared in Migdal David's kosher kitchens. Also, special arrangements will be made for those who wish to stay at Migdal David over the Passover holiday. For information, contact **Jeannie Martina**, the administrator, 3705 Bathurst St., Toronto M6A 2E8 or phone 789-7555.

At the **Wagman Centre** — Meet the Author with **Marcia Usiskin Basman** discussing Uncle Mike's Edenbridge — the memoirs of a Jewish pioneer — takes place Thursday, **March 15, at 10:30 a.m. in the library . . . On** Sunday, March 18, the Wagman Centre's Heritage Players are presenting Purim Shpiel at 2 p.m. Admission is $2 for members and $4 for guests. Then from 6:30-11 p.m. there is the Purim dinner dance with the **Paul Mathew Orchestra** and singer **Fern Dworkin.** Admission is $13 for members and $15 for guests..... On Tuesday, March 20, singer **Dalia Dahary** and pianist **Lola Julitta Kane** will be performing at 7:30 p.m. in the assembly room.

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

At the Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living, 1003 Steeles Ave. W., a film and discussion program takes place Friday mornings at 10. The film slated for March 16 is Four Religions and the speaker is **Michael Cole,** English and music teacher at William Lyon Mackenzie Collegiate.

The Lifelong Learning Institute is presenting **Pro. John Unrau,** department of English, Atkinson College, in a lecture entitled Humor-No Laughing Matter on Tuesday, March 20, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. There is no charge and the community is invited.

The Sunday afternoon program on March 18 at 2 p.m. features **Roni Abrams** who sings familiar tunes, mostly Jewish and Hebrew, to the accompaniment of guitar backed up by sophisticated sound systems. Admission is free.

An indoor sidewalk sale is scheduled for Tuesday, March 20, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with new gift items and clothing specially priced for this sale.

The Wednesday afternoon social on March 21 will present a lecture by **Rabbi Moshe Stern** of Shaarei Tefillah Congregation. That's at 1:15.

The candlelight dinner and concert on Wednesday March 21 offers dinner followed by an evening concert with the Choralaires. Dinner at 6 p.m. and concert is $7. Concert only, at 7:45 p.m. is $1.

The Health Information series continues on Thursday, March 15, from 1-2:30 p.m. with **Dr. Harvey Mayers** of the Optometric Institute of Toronto whose topic will be Routine Eye Care for the Elderly.

Metro seeks nominees

TORONTO —

Metro Toronto council is seeking nominations for its new community program — the Gardiner Awards.

The awards will be granted to three individuals "who have made significant contributions to the development and wellbeing of Metro Toronto."

By honoring three citizens each year, it is hoped that the Gardiner Awards — named in honor of Frederick Gardiner, the founding chairman of Metro Toronto — "will encourage others to continue in their good works," says a council brochure.

A panel of judges will select the three honorees on the basis of their contributions and achievements in the areas of voluntary service or philanthropic contributions; improvement of contemporary social problems; economic innovation; scientific or technological contributions; academic leadership; moral or religious leadership; cultural achievements; athletic achievements; influence on public opinion; public service.

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Religious roles key to Jewish feminists

By PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —

Jewish feminists seek greater religious responsibilities because they yearn to participate fully in the religious life of the community, according to a professor of religion at Montreal's Concordia University.

And, Norma Joseph continued, "there are women who want desperately to belong to that community and who can no longer tolerate a situation where every time they raise their voices and say 'Let me in,' they are answered by 'Let's examine your motives.'"

Joseph, who juggles her academic responsibilities with participation in family life education programs and task forces — and who is the wife of an Orthodox rabbi and the mother of four — spoke recently to 200 people at the opening Leonard Wolinsky lecture at Temple Sinai.

The Wolinsky lecture series is sponsored by the Toronto Board of Jewish Education and York University's faculty of arts religious studies program and faculty of education Judaic studies option.

"Examples of the invisibility of women in our community abound," Joseph said, quoting Jewish feminist writer Cynthia Ozick: "My own synagogue is the only place where I am not named Jew."

"The Jewish female is a Jew," Joseph emphasized. "Not bilogically, not socially, not a wife, not a mother — but a Jew.

"Her quest is: where is my community?"

There is a need for serious historical research, Joseph said, pointing out that evidence shows Jewish women prayed together communally in medieval times — and on into the early 20th century.

A tradition developed, she said, of the "voi zogeren," [a Yiddish phrase that translates literally as "word sayer"], a woman who was literate acting as prayer leader for her less educated fellow congregants. The women prayed in Yiddish, and, said Joseph, "as a result of these women's groups, we have a collection of 'techinnot' [prayer anthologies] expressing women's own needs and desires."

Norma Joseph

Women who follow in their footsteps now do so "not because they are heretical, but because they need to pray because they care about religion," she said, answering the position of one respected Orthodox rabbi in New York who, according to Joseph, recently forbade women from praying in women-only groups, even though it is permitted in Jewish law. The rabbi claimed: "Their motives are from anger and distrust of rabbinic authority."

Jewish feminists have difficulty in identifying the community to which they can belong, Joseph said.

Non-Jewish feminist groups may be anti-semitic for political reasons — if they support the PLO, for example. Early Christian feminists tended to see Jesus as the answer, telling their Jewish counterparts that Christian theology could liberate Jewish women.

And "a lot of the Jewish community is uncomfortable with people who are sincerely religious," she said.

But, she concluded, "how can the community afford to say no to committed Jews of either sex?

"The community needs us, Torah demands that each individual be cared for and not insulted.

"If I don't have a sense of obligation, I do not contribute to the community and I do not belong to it."

Daniel Kert

Dr. Harvey Coopersmith

Joel Greisman

Dr. Allan Gordon

Weizmann chair honors doctor

Tribute to Hollenberg

TORONTO —

A Chair in Diabetes and Metabolism Research, honoring Toronto physician-educator Dr. Charles H. Hollenberg, will be inaugurated at a Tribute Dinner April 12 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

The Chair, at the Weizmann Institute in Israel, is the result of efforts by colleagues, community leaders and a Sponsors Committee of patients and friends of Hollenberg.

The dinner is sponsored by the Toronto Medical Committee of the Canadian Weizmann Society.

Dr. Brenda Kane is the committee president. General co-chairmen of the dinner are Dr. Harvey Coopersmith, chief, department of medicine and director, department of nuclear medicine, York Finch General Hospital, and Dr. Allan A. Gordon, chief, division of neurology, Mount Sinai Hospital and Baycrest Centre, and assistant professor, department of medicine, University of Toronto.

Testimony to the high regard in which Hollenberg is held and the importance placed on the project, the Sponsors Committee numbers 80 members. It is headed by associate co-chairmen Dr. Aubie Angel, Nassie Godel, Joel Greisman (Toronto Chapter chairman), Daniel Kert, and Dr. Bernard Zinman.

Corporate Gifts co-chairmen are H. Thomas Beck, Morris Kaufman and James Slater. Carol Gordon heads the Dinner Arrangements Committee comprising Myrtle Coopersmith, Dr. Brenda Kane, Judith Teller and Lois Friedman.

Funds raised will ensure ongoing support for a scientist of the first rank and his team at the Weizmann Institute to carry forward existing and projected metabolism programs.

There will also be an exchange of visits by Weizmann scientists to Canadian centres, and Canadian scientists to Rehovot, to set up special research programs, teach, and further their own expertise.

For further information on the dinner and the Chair, call the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute at 630-0630.

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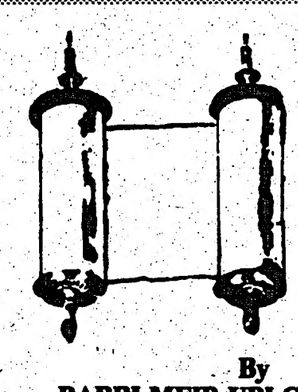

sparks from the torah

By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Shabbat Zachor/Purim 5744

When have we ever been free of enemies? When did we ever need to stick closer to each other, help one another?

In the pre-war Polish parliament, a representative declared that Polish Jews had been given more than enough of their rights already.

Reb Meir Schapira rose and answered: In the Book of Esther we read how Mordechai saved the life of King Ahasuerus. The king asked his counselors: "And what did we do for him?"

Answered they: "We did nothing with him."

This seems to be a poor answer. The king asks what reward, and they answer: nothing! But this was their answer — Mordechai was the Jew who paced before the gate of the palace. A Jew? People insulted him, tugged at his robes, spat before him . . .

But this was his "reward" — nothing was done to him! From now on no more insults, no spitting — and that was "reward" enough for service to the king . . .

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In every generation there are Hamans who are lifted high, supported by the mighty of the land. They seem all powerful.

But G-d is more powerful than all the nations and ministers!

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After a sleepless night, King Ahasuerus needed advice. Who to call? Said his servants — "Hinei Haman omeid b'chatzer . . . Behold Haman is standing in the courtyard . . ."

Says the Mei Marom: The servants received a spark of the divine spirit. Haman is **standing** in the courtyard. He is standing, not moving . . . standing, not rising.

He is stopped! He has reached as far as he will reach, and from now he is on his way to downfall . . . while Mordechai the righteous is ascendant!

Every evil in the world has its time of ripening, of growth, and then from itself it falls and dies.

No Jew should ever fear any enemy. All we have to fear is our own Yetzer Horahs, our own wildness, our own stubborness . . .

The enemies will come, and come, and rise — and fall!

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Jews must love each other, help one another.

On Purim there is a mitzvah of matanot la'evyonim, sending gifts to the poor. Why?

When the Jews fought the Persians, there was a great booty captured. The Jews refused to touch any of it. For the poor this was a great test — so much wealth, and to say no! As a reward, each year we give them gifts of charity.

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NCJW membership campaign under way

TORONTO —

National Council of Jewish Women of Canada executive director Eleanor Appleby is doing a field service sweep of some of the NCJW sections located in Vancouver, Edmonton and Calgary.

The purpose of her visit is to provide membership and team building workshops and to launch several new directions of NCJW of Canada for 1984-1985.

A membership campaign is under way aimed at 400 new members from now until the 1985 biennial taking place in Ottawa June 9-13, 1985. A short campaign is now being conducted until March 31.

Appleby will be addressing herself to the two new national projects recently adopted. Surgery: What Choice Do We Have? is an educational program for NCJW members and women in the communities they live in to educate women about surgery — "necessary or not necessary" — attitudes about medicine and knowing the physiology of their bodies plus many other concepts.

The other is a program directed to the International Year of the Youth 1985, in which NCJW will be holding a Blitz Week across Canada dealing with employment of youth, particularly high risk, non-skilled.

This program is to involve all levels of government, industry, professions, community colleges and the volunteers of NCJW of Canada, and many others in the volunteer sector across Canada. Chairperson for this project is Helen Marr of Toronto.

Appleby is also preparing for a field service trip to the Montreal Section. Aim of her visit will be to launch the new membership campaign which is now in its early stages, and will conclude the end of May.

Membership is open to all women 18 and over. For information call the national office: [416] 665-8251, or Montreal [514] 733-7589; Vancouver [604] 261-5413; Winnipeg [204] 334-7362.

Citizenship sought for Wallenberg

TORONTO —

The League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith Canada has urged the federal goverenment to name Raoul Wallenberg, lost hero of the Holocaust, an honorary citizen of Canada.

"We believe Wallenberg's devotion to the highest humanitarian ideals — ideals which Canadians fought and died for — warrants such recognition," David Matas, the league's national chairman, said in a letter to Secretary of State Serge Joyal.

This "very substantial step" would show that Canada is ready to play a leadership role in helping to "free Wallenberg from the web of Soviet untruth where he has languished for 39 years," Matas said.

"To honor Wallenberg is to honour the principles of freedom and the dignity of life for which this nation stands; it is to honor Canada."

Despite a Soviet claim in 1957 that Wallenberg died of a heart attack in prison 10 years earlier, reports that he is alive have surfaced as recently as 1978.

In 1983, the U.S. named Wallenberg an honorary citizen, only the second time it had accorded a foreigner that honor. The first was Winston Churchill. Wallenberg has also been nominated for the 1983 Nobel Peace Prize by an American professor.

Sisterhood plans fashion show

TORONTO —

The Beth Tikvah Synagogue Sisterhood is celebrating the first day of spring, March 21, with a fashion show highlighting the season's newest colors and fabrics.

Delicious dessert crepes, coffee and door prizes are also included in the evening program.

The show takes place at the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., at 8 p.m. Patrons' tickets for which tax receipts are issued are $18 each and general admission tickets are $10 each. They are available at the shul (221-3433), or contact Marilyn Cohen (223-2955) and can be picked up in advance at the synagogue office or at the door prior to the show.

Clothes for the Spring Affair show are being provided by Gerry Goldblum Fashions on Steeles Ave.

This year's spring line to be presented at the show will include both grays and olives and bright yellows and reds. Fabrics consist of natural fibres such as silk and cotton.

Also presented will be "loose and easy" spring dresses, the Japanese look with its emphasis on "enormous," as well as belts and jewelry.

The focus of the show will be sportswear . . . coordinating blouses, sweaters, skirts, pants and accessories.

NCJW blitz is set

TORONTO —

The National Council of Jewish Women in Canada, Toronto Section, will be conducting its annual Passover Serviette Blitz on April 10-12.

Proceeds of the project provide funds to enable the World Jewry Committee to fulfil its commitment to the plight of Jews around the world.

For the past 10 years, the Jewish community has been purchasing the serviettes in major supermarkets throughout Metro. This year, serviettes will be available before Passover in specialty stores as well as many synagogues and at Council House, 4700 Bathurst St.

Purchasers of serviettes in the supermarkets will be able to pick up a free copy of the third edition of holiday recipes.

For more information, call 633-5100.

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Pre-registration during May

Information pertaining to Kindergarten registration in each school area will be distributed shortly by the Public School Principals. Parents who do not receive a copy of the Principal's notice by April 13, 1984 should telephone the Principal of the Public School in the area in which they reside.

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Jewish heritage festival draws strong support

By GAYE APPLEBAUM

OTTAWA —

The city's Jewish organizations rallied once again this year in support of the handful of Jewish students who recently celebrated their third annual Jewish heritage festival at the University of Ottawa.

Last year's festival was organized in direct response to the virulent anti-Zionist campaign the student federation executive waged against the Jewish Students Union-Hillel [JSU-Hillel] club. Federation attempts to delegitimize the long established Jewish group ended when a student court impeached the 5-member body.

Many communal organizations banded together following the club's victory, in a city-wide display of solidarity for the 300 Jewish students (in a student population of 19,000) who had fought for the right to freedom of expression and the right to the existence of their club.

This year, the synagogues, schools, Ethiopian and Soviet Jewry committees joined the Israel Aliyah Centre, the Ottawa Jewish Historical Society, the linguistic department of the university and the National Library of Canada's Judaica section, to name a few of the participants, in JSU-Hillel's day long festivities in the main concourse of the university centre.

The theme of this year's festival was the Jewish mosaic. Booths, books and art depicted life and culture of Jews around the world.

Naim Kattan, literary director of the Canada Council and noted writer, was keynote speaker. He spoke about growing up Jewish in Iraq. His observations about conditions facing the dwindling Iraqi Jewish community were well received, despite the attempts of one foreign student heckler disputing Kattan's remarks.

Students from grades 7 and 8 of the Talmud Torah Board's Hillel Academy were brought to the campus to join in the celebration with the older JSU-Hillel student organizers.

Together they danced to the Kol Simcha's traditional horas and religious rock music, sold such foods as latkes, hamentashen, humous and honey cake and joined the residents of the city's Jewish home for the aged, Hillel Lodge, to watch Miracle at Intervale Avenue, a moving documentary about a group of elderly Jews struggling to maintain the last Jewish centre amidst the desolation and decay of the south Bronx.

Filmmaker Jack Kugelmass, anthropologist and faculty member of YIVO Institute of Jewish Studies in New York, took part in a lively discussion with his audience following the screening.

Al Farrell, chairman of this year's festival, was delighted with the community participation. "This 1-day event is the time when our Jewish students and the rest of the Jewish community get together on campus to show the rest of Ottawa the many facets of Jewish life here, in Israel and around the world.

"It is here that we fought for our freedom last year and it is fitting that we gather here each year to celebrate the joys of our Jewish heritage," he said.

Paul Konikoff, a first year law student from Toronto, agreed: "Having grown up in Toronto in a primarily Jewish tightly-knit environment, a number of us have really missed the presence of other Jews, especially at this university. The program was fun. It was exciting to again feel part of a strong and proud Jewish group."

Susan Rakita, right, and Heidi Cohen of the McGill task force for Soviet Jewry, perform guerrilla theatre on Parliament Hill during International Student Solidarity Day for Soviet Jewry.

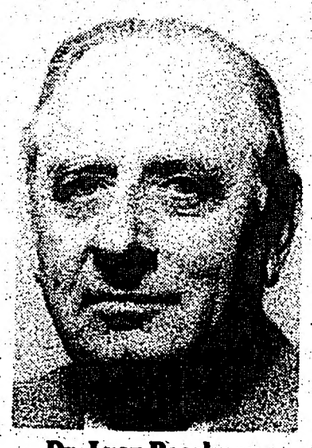
Mother's Day chosen to honor pediatrician

OTTAWA —

Mother's Day, May 13, has been chosen by the Ottawa Chapter of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University as the most fitting date to honor one of Canada's foremost pediatricians, Dr. Lyon Pearlman.

Ottawa Chapter president Freda Paltiel said an endowment in adoloscent medicine is being established at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in Pearlman's name.

Keynote speaker will be Hebrew University environmental health professor Hillel Shuval who will bring greetings from the university and speak about health and the environment. Canadian Friends' national president Dr. Ralph Halbert will attend.



Dr. Lyon Pearlman

Since 1938, when Pearlman, a native of Ottawa, became that city's first Jewish pediatrician, he has worked tirelessly in research and in practice on behalf of adolescents and children.

Pearlman, 73, is perhaps best known for his pioneering efforts in establishing the Youth Clinic long before adolescent medicine and its special problems, such as learning disabilities and alcohol abuse in the family, were recognized as an essential part of medical practice.

He was senior attending pediatrician at the Civic Hospital in the mid-1950s, paying special attention to premature and newborn care.

In 1983, Pearlman was appointed adjunct professor in pediatrics at Ottawa University, after 23 years teaching there. He is emeritus attending pediatrician at the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

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Peterson sends Passover card

Breaking of fast will end Soviet Jewry week

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —

A week of concern for Soviet Jewry which began with an emotional meeting at Council House (National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section) will culminate tonight (March 15) as Toronto Jews break the fast of Esther at a mincha ma'ariv service at Nathan Phillips Square.

The 5 p.m. service, led by Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg, Toronto Jewish Congress chaplain, is sponsored by the Committee for Soviet Jewry of Canadian Jewish Congress and the Canadian Zionist Federation.

The fast precedes the celebration of Purim — together with Passover, a festival of freedom — and commemorates Esther's fast before she approached the king to beg for her people's salvation.

Since March 15, which has been designated as an international day of concern for Soviet Jews, is a Thursday, the Torah can be read at the afternoon service — but all aliyas will be given in the names of Soviet Jewish Refuseniks.

The National Council of Jewish Women, Toronto Section, and the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Ontario Region, sponsored the March 7 program which inaugurated the week of concern.

Les Scheininger, chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, compared the situation of Soviet Jews like Anatoly Scharansky to that of Jews in the Persia of Esther and Haman.

"Their crime is the same . . . that they have been born Jews, they wish to live as Jews and they are prepared to die as Jews. They are not permitted to leave, and they are not permitted to live."

MP Jim Peterson, who led a recent all-party parliamentary delegation to the Soviet Union, was honored by the committee for, in chairman Jeanette Goldman's words, "speaking out for those who cannot speak out for themselves."

Peterson, who reported on his trip to the more than 100 members of the audience, started off Council's mail-a-greeting-card campaign by sending a Passover card to his own adopted Refusenik, Vladimir Tsukerman.

Information on the greeting card campaign is available from Council House, 633-5100; on the adopt-a-Refusenik program from the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Ontario Region, Canadian Jewish Congress [635-2883].

Heritage offers plays to mark all festivals

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

The Heritage Players of the Wagman Centre have set an ambitious goal of a production for every important date in the Jewish calendar, including Yom Ha'atzmaut (Israel independence) and Yom Hashoah (Holocaust remembrance).

It is the only theatrical group in the Toronto Jewish community which presents plays to mark all the festivals — Chanukah, Pesach and Purim. The current venture, Purim Shpiel, directed by Nathan Garnick, is at the Wagman Centre, March 18, at 2 p.m.

In line with its expanded program, the group is presenting Purim Shpiel six times. It will be at Shalom Village, Hamilton, March 14 at 1.30 p.m.; Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club March 19 at 1 p.m., and at the Hebrew Club for the Blind at the JCC March 19 at 8 p.m.

To achieve a larger repertoire, the Heritage Players invite participation by actors, singers, dancers and musicians over 55 and they are welcome to attend weekly rehearsals on Tuesdays, 1 to 4 p.m. at the Wagman Centre. For information, call Tatiana Kochinsky, program coordinator, 789-5131, ext. 477.

The group is also going portable, trimming its productions of The Jolly School Teacher and The World Needs Love to 1-hour versions which will travel easier to audiences in Toronto and around the province.

Special musical arrangements are by the group's new accompanist, Nathan Rosen. The cast includes Eric Harris, Dvorah Silver, David Zaretsky, Fred Field, Joe Kalfa, Sylvia Fistell Grimson and Roselle Stone.

Rabbi Plaut to receive race relations award

TORONTO —

Rabbi Gunther Plaut will receive the first race relations award of the Urban Alliance on Race Relations at a dinner at the Royal York Hotel on March 31.

Plaut was one of the founding members of the Alliance, which was formed in 1975 to promote a healthy multi-racial environment in Metropolitan Toronto through public education.

He was appointed to the Ontario Human Rights Commission in 1978. He has served as vice-chairman, and completes his final term of office on the commission this year.

Among the 46 patrons of the $75-dollar-a-plate dinner are Alan Borovoy, George A. Cohon, Dr. Reva Gerstein, Max Enkin, Judge Philip Givens, Metro Chairman Paul Godfrey, Dr. Victor Goldbloom, Stephen Lewis, Leon Weinstein and Ray Wolfe.

Distinguished clerics on the patrons' list include Rabbi Arthur Bielfeld, G. Emmett Cardinal Carter, Rev. Eilert Frerichs, Archbishop L. C. Garnsworthy, Right Rev. Clarke MacDonald, Rev. Bruce McLeod, Rabbi Dow Marmur, Plaut's successor in the pulpit of Holy Blossom Temple, and Canon Borden C. Purcell.

The dinner committee is being chaired by Susan Eng.

Cape Breton post to businessman

SYDNEY, N.S. —

Businessman Irving Schwartz, owner of a chain of furniture stores in Nova Scotia, was recently elected president of the Cape Breton Chapter of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, succeeding Avvie Druker, at a fund raising dinner in Sydney.

Irving Schwartz

Schwartz, a strong believer in "putting money back into the community," has been involved in bringing businesses into the province. He was also chairman of a group working with native Canadians on a reservation 35 miles from Sydney in the development of an oyster farming project.

Schwartz sits on the board of the Sydney Human Rights Commission and the Council of Christians and Jews, as well as the advisory board of the School of Business at Dalhousie University.

He is married to the former Diane Usher of Montreal. One of the couple's four children, Margo, is an alumna of the 1-year program for overseas students at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

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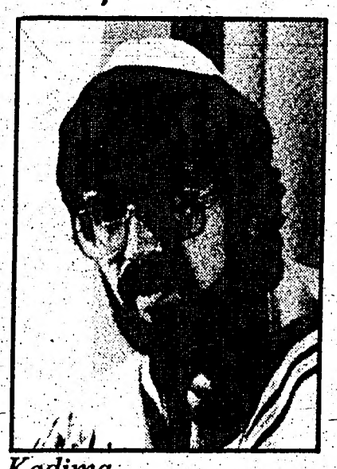
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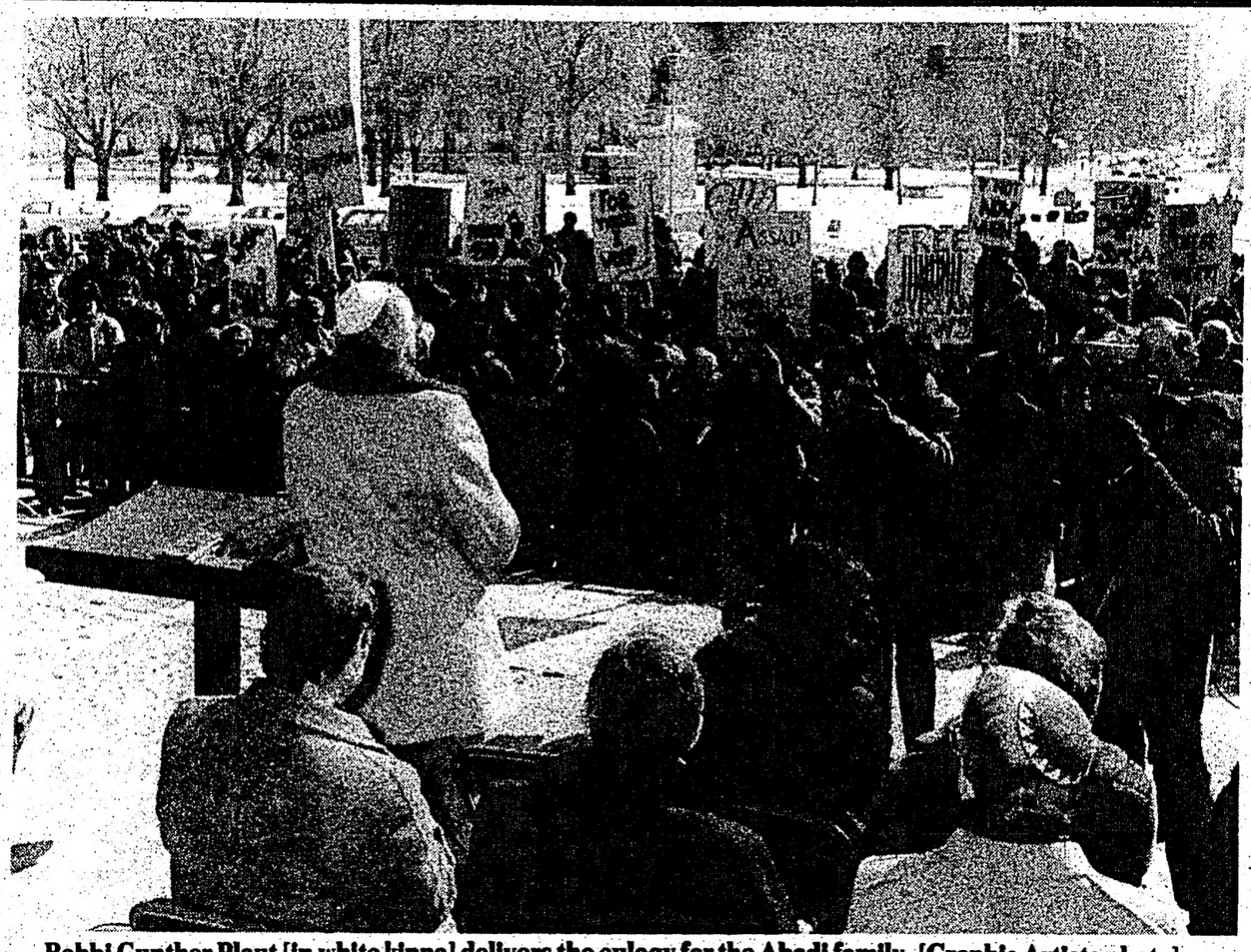

Rabbi Gunther Plaut [in white kippa] delivers the eulogy for the Abadi family. [Graphic Artists photo]

300 attend service

Tribute paid to slain family

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO — When Lillian Abadi, 25, and her two children, Joseph, 6 and Sandy, 4, were found slaughtered in their Syrian home late last year, Jews around the world were outraged.

Lillian, four months pregnant when she died, had been shot four times. Her son and daughter had been knifed and disembowelled.

Last week, Toronto Jews paid tribute to the Abadi family at a memorial service at Queen's Park.

The service was preceded by a mock funeral procession of 73 cars from Sheppard Plaza, and traveled to Queen's Park led by a hearse. It was escorted by a police cruiser and six Metro police officers on motorcycles.

The memorial service sponsored by the North American Jewish Student's Network-Canada attracted about 300 people wearing black armbends, including political leaders and several Toronto rabbis.

Naomi Jacobs, national chairman of Network-Canada, addressed the crowd, saying that Syrian Jews are "terror stricken and constantly under the threat of annihilation. They are denied all basic human rights."

Jacobs said that Network-Canada is "committed to remedying the plight of the 4,300 Jews in Syria."

She urged the Canadian government to facilitate the emigration of all Syrian Jews "before there are any more senseless murders."

Rabbi Gunther Plaut, president of the Central Council of American Rabbis, delivered the eulogy for the Abadis.

"Lillian Abadi was guilty of nothing but her descent," Plaut said.

Speaking for Lillian, Plaut said: "Do something for my people who are still alive. Morun not for me alone, but mourn for the loss of freedom."

Milton Harris, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, called on the Canadian government to make known to the Syrian government that Canada "expects nothing less than to allow Syrian Jews to emigrate."

MPP David Rotenberg pledged his support and added that "here, we as Jews are free to demonstrate. The Jews of Syria have no freedom."

Manitoba MP Jack Murta, Conservative multiculturalism critic, also addressed the gathering and said that the plight of Syrian Jews has his total commitment.

Irving Abella guest speaker

TORONTO — Toronto historian Irving Abella, co-author of None is too Many, will speak at Beth Tzedec Synagogue on Saturday, March 17, when the congregation observes Shabbat Zachor, the Sabbath of Remembrance.

Historically Jews recall on this Sabbath the Amelekites' attempt to annhilate the Israelites after the Exodus. But, since 1975, Beth Tzedec and other congregations also observe a service of remembrance for Jewish communities in Arab lands.

Beth Tzedec, one of North America's largest congregations, initiated the service nine years ago on the first anniversary of the deaths of four Syrian Jewish girls raped and murdered while trying to escape from Syria.

Abella, a member of Beth Tzedec, will speak on The Jews in Arab Countries — A Canadian Perspective.

The service will include elements of the Sephardic North African ritual chanted by Armand Moyal, cantor of the Toronto Sephardic community and formerly of Fez, Morocco. He will join Beth Tzedec's Cantor Paul Kowarsky, Rabbi J. Benjamin Friedberg and assistant Rabbi Lawrence Troster.

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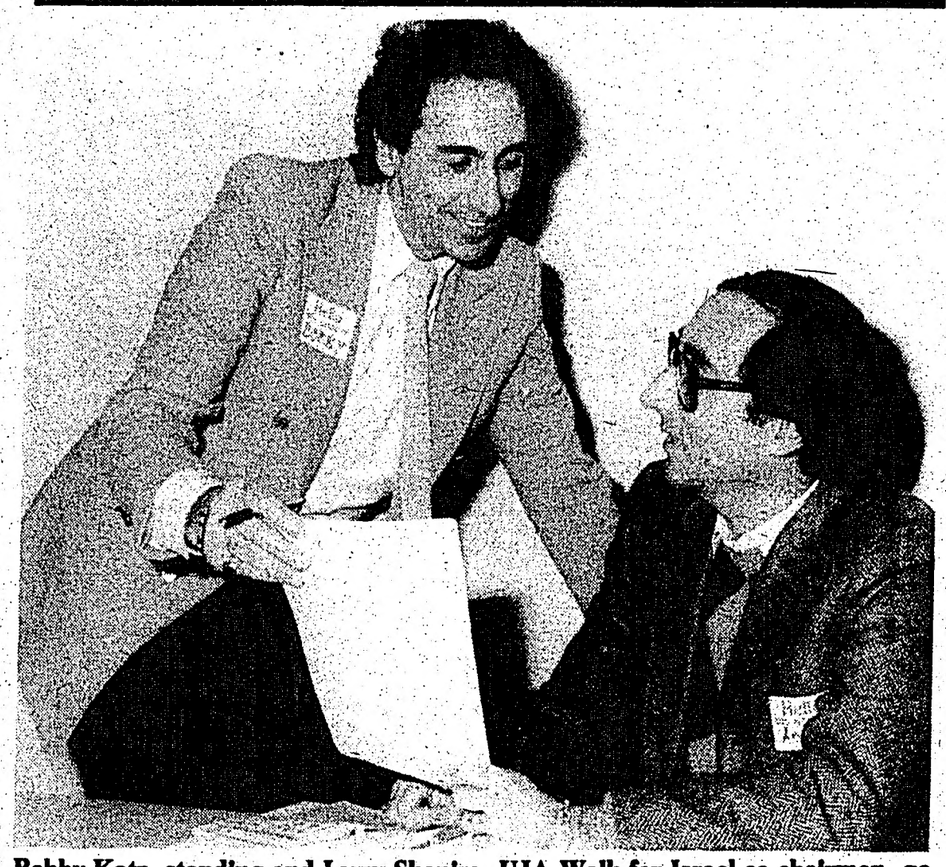

Bobby Katz, standing and Larry Shapiro, UJA Walk for Israel co-chairmen, go over agenda before meeting with committee members to map out plans for June 3 event.

UJA Walk for Israel puts on a new face

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

The annual United Jewish Appeal Walk for Israel will feature several new wrinkles this year.

To start with it will be held on Sunday, June 3 instead of the beginning of May as in the past; the route has been radically changed; and there are new chairmen at the helm for the first time in four years.

Bobby Katz and Larry Shapiro who jointly assumed the chairmanship, have already moved into high gear, meeting regularly with their committees and setting up detailed plans of operation.

What will not be changed from last year's format, they emphasize, is the "incredibly successful" collection procedure initiated by former chairmen Verne Chelin and Jerry Panet, whereby walkers hand in all their sponsor money [collected in advance] at the first checkpoint. That, they explained, is why the term "walka-thon" was dropped in the previous year to be replaced by "Walk for Israel."

Both Katz and Shapiro have been up front in UJA activities for a number of years. Katz chaired the Pharmacists group for two years, participated in a Young Leadership Study Mission to Israel, and for the past two years has co-chaired one of the business divisions along with Shapiro. He owns and operates a Shoppers Drug Mart store in Malton.

Larry Shapiro, a lawyer, has headed the UJA Beth Tzedec Synagogue campaign for two years and dates his active involvement from the time he visited Israel three years ago. He unabashedly claims "that's what turned me on to my priorities as a member of Toronto's Jewish community. UJA seemed to be the most logical base for my involvement." He is presently a participant in the Toronto Jewish Congress Leadership Development program.

The route was changed, the chairman say, to "make it more geographically Jewish" for the participants. The 20-kilometre walk will be entirely within the perimeters of North York, beginning from the Bathurst - Sheppard Plaza and winding up at the Jewish Community Centre, with nine checkpoints in all.

The route, as mapped out so far, will go north on Bathurst to Steeles and west on Steeles to Dufferin, south on Dufferin to Finch, turning east along Finch to Wilmington.

Walkers will then wend their way south on Wilmington to Sheppard (where the street becomes Faywood), continue south to Wilson, turn east to Bathurst and proceed north on Bathurst to the Jewish Centre.

Along the way checkpoints will be set up at Jewish schools and Jewish centres wherever possible, say Katz and Shapiro.

"We felt it was time for a change," said Bobby Katz. "It made no sense to continue with the same route, particularly when most of it was in a totally non-Jewish area of the city."

What pleases both Katz and Shapiro is the number of "new people" on the various committees. Out of the 25 involved, half are newly-recruited.

The goal to strive for, aside from the obvious one of raising as many dollars as possible for recreational facilities in Toronto's UJA's Project Renewal town of Beit Dagan is to make this year's Walk for Israel a family day.

"We know we always get a lot of kids out but this year we'd like to see them in tandem with parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents," say the chairmen.

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Armand Moyal

SAT., MARCH 17, 9 A.M. (Morning Service) - **SHABBAT ZACHOR**. Joining Beth Tzedec's **Cantor Paul H. Kowarsky** will be **Cantor Armand Moyal**, who will chant a portion of the service in Sephardic style. Guest speaker at this special Service will be **Professor Irving Abella**, Professor of History at York University and co-author of the best-selling book "None Is Too Many". Dr. Abella will speak from the Pulpit on **The Jews In The Arab Countries – A Canadian Perspective.**

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SAT., MARCH 24, Following Services - **SHABBAT STUDY LUNCHEON**. Guest speaker: **Cantor Paul Kowarsky.** Topic: **A Cantor! Is this a job for a good Jewish Boy?** Paid reservations by no later than *March 21*. Cost: Adults, $4.75; children under 12, $2.50.

SUN., MARCH 25, 8 P.M. - **BETH TZEDEC MEN'S CLUB. Movie Night:** "The Jazz Singer", featuring Neil Diamond. Held in the Main Floor Banquet Hall (new sound system). Everyone welcome! Admission: $1.50 per person.

TUES., MARCH 27, 1:15 P.M. - **FRIENDSHIP CLUB PLUS 50. Lecture.** Guest: **Helen Nemoy,** Behavioral Therapist. Topic: **Helping Yourself.** Everyone welcome! Refreshments served. Non-members: $1.50.

Organizations and People

"Still exclusive clubs and barriers"

Givens recalls when being a Jew wasn't fun

By
GARY COHEN

TORONTO —

The Toronto that Judge Phil Givens remembers growing up in during the Depression is not one that would have welcomed with open arms the 33 years of public service he has given to the city.

Even Givens says now it's hard to believe — that a man who has been mayor, alderman, MP, MPP, police commissioner (the post he will shortly leave after 10 years to serve on the bench) and a vibrant force in the city's community affairs could have knowingly been passed over.

But, sitting almost Buddha-like in his spacious office at police headquarters on Jarvis St., Givens knows only too well how much things had to change, before the only son of Polish immigrants could make his mark as a fixture of public life in the city.

Born in the heart of Metro, Givens, 61, grew up on Augusta and, later, Euclid Ave., while attending school at Parkdale and Harbord Collegiate. The son of observant parents, he got his Jewish education at the old Talmud Torah Eitz Chaim on Darcy St.

Phil Givens during tenure as Toronto's mayor.

His father was a devout Yiddishist, Givens says, who trained him to be the same.

"I was as fluent in Yiddish as in English," he recalls. "In fact, though I was born in Toronto, when I started public school I could barely speak English. Yiddish was my first language."

Not only was Givens' Jewish identity nurtured during his childhood, but his keen interest in public affairs first took hold amid the politically-charged atmosphere of The Ward district — Toronto's original Jewish ghettos.

"Some people admire football players," he says. "But my heroes were public people of the day. I loved oratory and my father used to take me to the public meetings at the Standard Theatre on Spadina.

"I used to go hear Joe Salsberg and Sam Carr — both great speakers."

After graduating as a lawyer in 1949, Givens won a seat as Ward 5 alderman (the ward extended west of Bathurst St. from the lakeshore to St. Clair) in 1951. Then he moved on to the post of controller before taking over as the second Jewish mayor of the city in 1963, after the death of Nathan Phillips (Toronto's first Jewish mayor).

Before that he ran twice for parliament as a Liberal in Spadina riding — losing both times — during the Tories' halcyon Diefenbaker days. It was not until the election of 1968 that he won a federal seat for the Grits in Toronto's York West riding.

Givens' youthful mastery of Yiddish served as an edge when he made his first foray into politics in 1951, before the great Jewish exodus north. He estimates that 15-20% of his Ward 5 constituency was still Jewish at that time.

"I still remember myself going into all the landsmanshaften societies centred around Cecil and Beverley Streets," he reminisces.

He used to go into those places and spoke pure Yiddish, which he now mimics: "My friend, my name is Phil Givens. I'm running for alderman of Ward 5. I want you to vote for me."

But he also recalls a period when being a Jew didn't give you any advantage at all.

During the 30s, at the rambunctious age of 16, he dreamed of being a union leader. As he puts it: "The future looked bleak" — especially if you were a Jew.

"I came through the Dirty Thirties in Toronto which were not only noted for the Depression, but were also the pretty terrible years of anti-semitism.

"It was a time when you'd be chased through the streets of Toronto with epithets hurled at you like, 'You dirty sheenie,' or 'Why don't you go back to Jerusalem, kike.'

"They had the quota system for professionals in the universities, in those days. For doctors — for everything.

"There were also very few Jewish lawyers in non-Jewish firms. Of course, that is not the case today.

"As a matter of fact," he says, "the war started in 1939. And that pretty well terminated overt anti-semitic activity in this country. But even so, as part of my COTC (Canadian Officers Training Corps) activity I had to get a summer job directly involved in the war effort.

"But, no matter where I went for a war job, whether it was Goodyear Tire or Anaconda Brass, plant after plant — at that time FEPC [Fair Employment Practices] legislation was not passed yet so they could ask your race or religion — the minute you said Jewish or Hebrew, you could see you were through."

He says he finally "insinuated" his way into a job at a Stelco plant. By the time the personnel office found out he was Jewish, it was too late — he was already working. But during the five summers Givens worked at Stelco, he never met another Jewish employee.

"There's been quite a transformation over the last 34 years — the city has undergone a tremendous change," he reflects.

"There are still exclusive clubs and barriers we haven't broken down yet. They are still there. There are still jokes being made. But we've sublimated it. Instead of trying to get into a fancy social club or fancy golf club, we've built facilities of our own, which are not just separate and equal, but are separate and often better than equal.

"I think there is hardly a position which a Jewish person can strive for in any field of activity that he or she cannot attain. We now have Jewish people in office in this country in positions which, when I was a boy or even 30 years ago, were unattainable."

He laughs as he reflects on his early days at Talmud Torah and how far from that insulated little world he has come.

"Now, here I am as police commissioner," he says, shaking his head and chuckling. "Imagine that — a Jewish boy gets to be police commissioner. I consider that real unusual.

"Sometimes they call me and ask me to visit Talmud Torah and if I'm not too busy occasionally I'll go speak to the kids. I show them my badge and say, 'See this. It doesn't come out of a box of Corn Flakes you know.'

"Then I tell them, 'I used to go here. See that gemorrah over there — I used to learn from that and now I'm police commissioner.' And they just sit and gape at me incredulously and don't want to believe it.

"Yes, I get a charge out of it. Sure I do," says the burly ex-mayor. "You'd have to be made of stone if you didn't."

Weizmann League Auction Features Unique Items

At a recent auction committee planning meeting are (back row, l. to r.) Stephen Bianco; Jeff Bayer; Cindy Charkow; Gary Wine, gifts committee chairman; (front row, l. to r.) Edie Bayer, ticket chairman; David Geneen, auction chairman; Marion Craig, arrangements committee co-chairman; and Minnie Ross, League's executive director.

The Weizmann League's Auction on Saturday, March 31, at the King Edward Hotel, will take on a brand-new look this year, according to League President Stephen Bianco.

There will be an elegant dinner-dance. Included in the auction will be: a private jet to fly a party of seven to New York City for one day; courtesy of European Jewellers and Baume & Mercier, there is a diamond and gold watch valued at more than $10,000; noted Canadian designer Wayne Clark has created four outfits, one for each season of the year; you can bid on a trip to Israel, a number of hotel and restaurant packages, or a fur cape from Creeds.

Proceeds will support a Career Development Chair in Children's Diseases at the Weizmann Institute of Science in Israel.

Geared to the interests and activities of younger members, the League is a branch of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute.

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History of Jews in Ontario recorded

Years of dedication pay off as Archives opens

By
VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO —
The Archives, a co-operative service of Toronto Jewish Congress and Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region, was officially opened last week in a new, bright and spacious home on the lower level of the Lipa Green Building.

Archives contains a collection of thousands of manuscripts and printed documents, pictorial material, tape recordings and artifacts. The wine and cheese reception in the new home marked the culmination of 11 years of dedicated effort in the preservation of material which records the history of the Jews of Ontario.

In his address to the more than 180 people who attended the event, Stephen Speisman, the director, recalled how the Archives was established in 1973:

"At that time Archives consisted of two filing cabinets in a cubbyhole of a room at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. From there we moved to an old, historic house built in the 1870s at 152 Beverley St. First we occupied one room, then two, and then later, the whole floor.

"All our hopes have come to fruition with our successful transfer to the Lipa Green Building," he added. "Our archival material was moved safely and our staff, researchers and committee members will now work in a comfortable, bright facility.

"The establishment and maintenance of an Archives program in Ontario is a sign of our (the Jewish community's) maturation. Not only does it represent nostalgia for the past, but is of great benefit for present and future generations," Speisman emphasized.

Irving Feldman, president, Toronto Jewish Congress, said, "The Archives should be a place for serious study for historians and scholars alike."

Jim Peterson, MP for Willowdale, added that the Archives represent an example of cooperation at its finest. "It's an invaluable source of public information within Canada and brings to light the Jewish people's rich and tragic past," he said.

Les Scheininger, chairman, Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario Region, said the opening of the Archives "is an historic event in our community and enables us to clearly reflect upon the Jewish community's vitality, from the point of view of our grandparents, parents, our children and grandchildren."

Cyrel Troster, chairman, Archives committee, officiated at the proceedings which included the screening of a 20-minute slide presentation depicting the development of Toronto's Jewish community between the early 1900s and the Depression.

Also involved in the program were Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg, director, chaplaincy services; Richard Bishop, chairman, Toronto area archivists group; Brooky Robins, assistant director, Archives; Victor Sefton, past chairman, Archives, and Sol Edell, immediate past chairman, Archives.

Victor Sefton, founding chairman of the Toronto Jewish Congress/Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region Archives, cuts ribbon to open new facilities. Looking on are, from left, Yitz Feldman, Les Scheininger, Cyrel Troster, Stephen Speisman, MP Jim Peterson, Sol Edel, Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg and Richard Bishop.

The new premises include a temperature-controlled storage vault, a research room, two offices, and a workroom/conservation laboratory where all documents are sorted and placed into acid-free folders and boxes for preservation and posterity.

Jewish Woman Week celebrations

By
PATRICIA RUCKER

TORONTO —
The Week of the Jewish Woman will be celebrated in Toronto by the Lubavitch Women's League with a kashruth information booth in Yorkdale Shopping Centre and a multi-focus program on Sunday, March 25 at the new Lubavitch Community Centre in Thornhill.

The week, which runs from March 19 through 25, is being observed in major centres of Jewish population across North America.

Toronto Lubavitch Women's League spokesman Sandra Gewirtz says that the philosophy behind the booth, which will be open for the entire week in the Dominion Court at Yorkdale, "is to bring to people's attention the availability of kosher products and merchants in Ontario who handle them — and we have a fabulous number."

They'll be handing out samples of kosher goodies, together with the new COR guide to kosher products for 1984/85, and will provide information on where to buy kosher food.

The Sunday program, in the Lubavitch facility at 770 Chabad Gate in Thornhill, north of Metro Toronto, will focus on four centres, one each for taharas mishpocha [Jewish marriage], Sabbath observance, kashruth, and Jewish education.

"We're planning videos, demonstrations, tours, discussion groups — all kinds of approaches to the importance of the woman's role in society," Gewirtz says.

"Discussions and workshops will range from challah baking classes to how to integrate a woman's secular career with her responsibility to her family, to the Jewish community and to Torah."

Gewirtz, a mother of three, is a life insurance agent and estate planner with Confederation Life.

The Sunday program culminates with a banquet luncheon chaired by Ruhama Goldstein, associate national chairman of Women's Division, Israel Bonds.

The keynote speaker will be Fruma Rosenberg of Pittsburgh, who with her husband runs youth programs at Chabad House in Pittsburgh.

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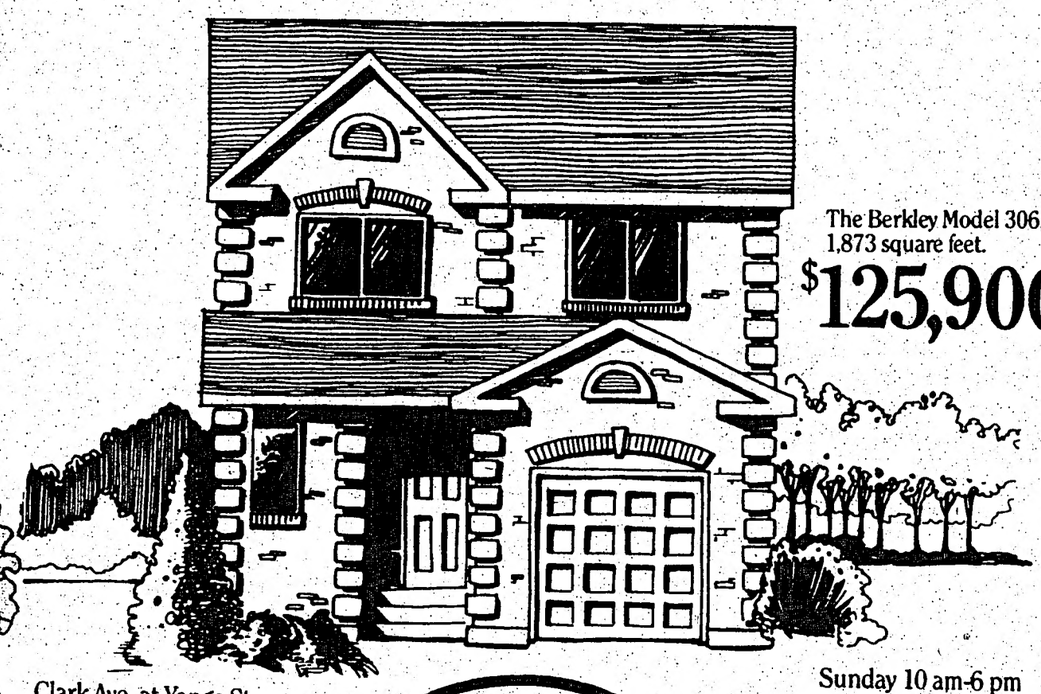

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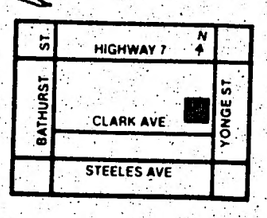

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By
FRANK RASKY

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It's little wonder that the development company of Dyspar Lynwood and Associates, headed by Joseph Tanenbaum, maintain that its Two Lynwood condominium development is "the ultimate in super deluxe."

It's located on the southern fringe of Forest Hill Village at St. Clair and Avenue Rd. and it consists of an 8-storey red brick building. Inside are 16 opulent condos — no more than three residences per floor — ranging in size from 1,493 square feet to 3,280 square feet and in price from $330,000 to $875,000.

Model suites will be available for inspection in four weeks and ready for occupancy in June, according to real estate sales agent Harvey Kalles (441-2888).

"They're not the most expensive condos in town, but they're among the top in terms of elegance and cost," says Kalles.

He expects the buyers to be largely well-to-do couples 50 and over. "They want to exchange their large homes for a troublefree lifestyle," he says.

Tanenbaum, president of York Steel Construction Limited, confirmed his view in a CJN interview last week.

"It's for empty nesters whose children have flown the coop and are looking for a nest with 24-hour security and the height of luxury," said Tanenbaum, who has acquired one of the two penthouse suites for himself.

Tanenbaum said he and his partners started planning the development three years ago.

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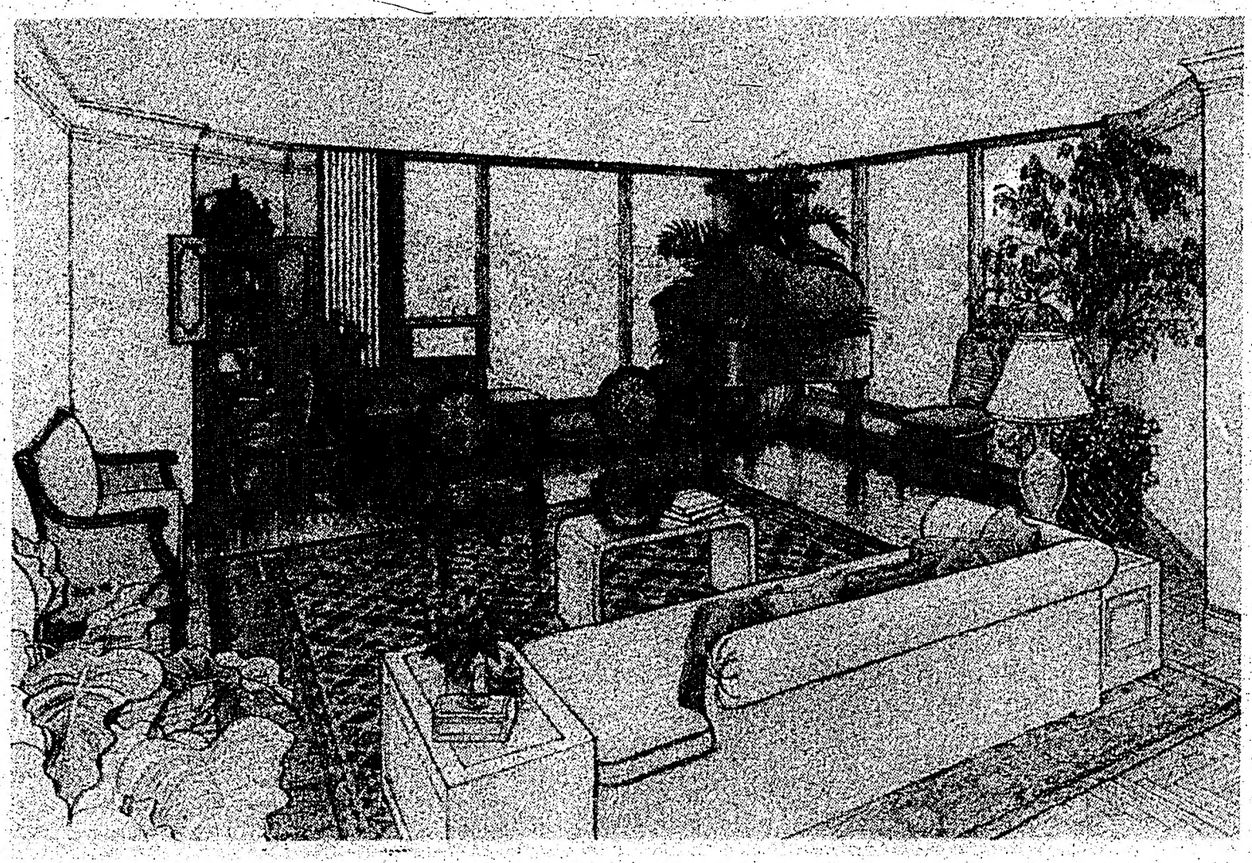

Living rooms and view at Two Lynwood condo complex provide "ultimate in super deluxe."

He says two of the luxury facilities provided particularly impress him.

"I have an extensive collection of 19th-century French and English art by masters who taught the impressionists," he said. "So I feel better knowing it's being safeguarded by two concierges on around-the-clock duty, with no more than 16 families to attend to."

In addition, he says, the soundproofing provided by the triple-glazed windows is outstanding.

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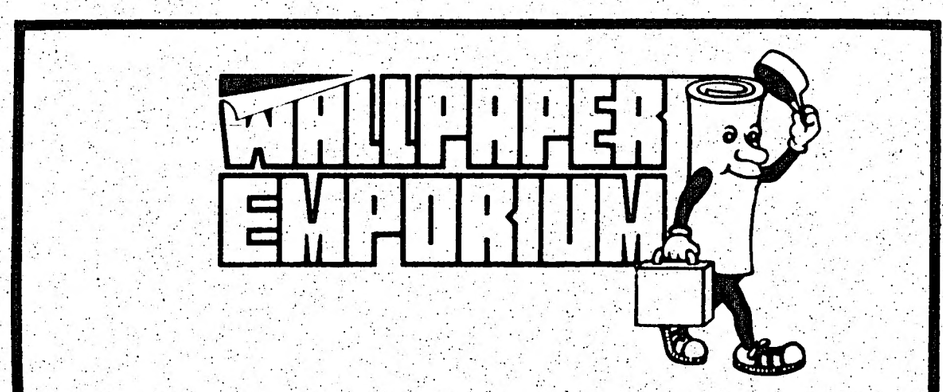

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Cyrus Motahedin, Bramalea's vice-president of marketing.

Prize lots available at The Ridgegate

TORONTO —

Cyrus Motahedin describes it as "the last of a limited edition — 23 prize lots left in a luxury development of elegant custom - designed homes."

Motahedin is the marketing vice-president of Bramalea Limited (telephone 487-3861), the well known home development company headed by Richard Shiff and Kenneth Field.

And he was talking about the 23 prize lots now available on the market at the Ridgegate, a housing development of 250 units, 70% of them owned by Jewish families, which was completed three years ago on a picturesque ravine-like setting between Dufferin and Bathurst, south of Steeles.

Motahedin says 23 custom-designed homes will now be built on these 50- and 60-foot lots. The 2-storey, clay-brick homes will range in size from 2,750 to 3,800 square feet, at prices from $234,900.

"It's practically impossible to get space in that prime subdivision in North York," he told The CJN. "And it's certainly impossible to find new luxury residences in the area at that price range."

He said that Bramalea was particularly proud of these Ridgegate features:

"On the outside, Bramalea has chosen to use decorative marley tiles for the roofs. Inside, the kitchens will be finished with top quality counters and ceramic tile flooring.

"Bay windowed or conservatory breakfast rooms provide an idyllic setting for breakfast or tea. A main floor laundry room is a standard feature as are working fireplaces in the family room. A pedestal sink provides an elegant accent to the powder room.

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Art lover switched careers

Posters are a Frame of Mind

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Ezra Ballas says, "I like to think of myself as a wall consultant."

No, the Iraq-born Israeli, who served in the artillery division during the Yom Kippur War, is no wallpaper hanger.

Neither is he an interior decorator — though a good many Jewish housewives in the Wilson area south of 401 bring him sofa and rug samples and seek his advice.

The 33-year-old art lover, who moved to Toronto seven years ago, is owner of Frame Of Mind, a poster art and frame shop at 2074½ Avenue Rd. (telephone 485-5731).

He has in stock more than 500 posters, which he sells for $15 to $50. And, after you buy one, he'll frame it for you, in materials ranging from aluminum to lacquered African wood and at prices from $20 to $200.

What makes his shop popular to his clients, 80% of them Jewish, is the haymashe customer service he provides.

"You may fall in love with a poster when you buy it at a shop," he says. "But then you go home and look at it in your existing decor and it may look terrible. If that happens, you can simply return it here with no obligations at all.

"Furthermore, suppose you have a poster you've long fallen out of love with and it's become an eyesore that really palls. Simply bring those old sweethearts you've become tired of here and we'll trade them for others.

"Not only that, upon request, I'll personally visit your home or office to help with the choice of a particular piece of artwork for your wall. That's what I call service."

Erza Ballas

Ballas, a former radio and computer technician, says he switched careers as a result of the influence of his two art addicted sisters, Poria and Varda, who still live in Israel and collect Israeli art.

He personally dotes on two Canadian artists, whose posters he sells at the store — photographer Keith Franklin and Ian Leventhal, a painter who specializes in portraits of women.

Many of his best-sellers are U.S. imports. They include such artists as William Todd Haile, who specializes in paintings of flowers, landscape artist Jerry Schuur, abstractionist Peter Kitchell and Erte, the famed art deco stylist of the 1920s.

Ballas says the chief difficulty about his business is that it's so trendy in terms of colors and styles.

"For instance, the hot colors this year are pink, peach and gray," he says. "Two years ago, brown, rust and beige are in. But now they're out."

What does he most like about the business?

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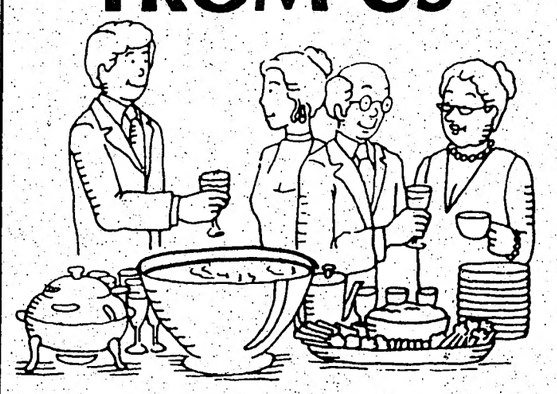

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Foundation launched at tribute dinner

Hamilton rabbi receives honor

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — Amid praise for Hamilton's achievements in Jewish education, the Rabbi Morton Green Foundation was officially launched here at a dinner in tribute to Rabbi Green and in honor of his silver anniversary as spiritual leaeder of the Adas Israel Congregation.

With over 450 guests, the dinner on March 4 in the Netkin Auditorium of Adas Israel Synagogue was one of the largest ever held here and came close to reaching its goal of $500,000.

The objects of the Foundation are "to further and promote Jewish education and scholarship within Canada and abroad" and "to enable worthy and needy students of the Jewish religion to study in institutes of basic and higher learning."

Hamilton, according to guest speaker Rabbi Walter Wurzburger of Lawrence, NY, is unique in that "no other city in Canada or the United States can boast of such a high percentage of its student population enroled in a day school," due, he added, to the fact that "25 years ago it acquired a spiritual dynamo . . . who can generate the kind of energy and power which is needed to ensure the realization of our goals."

Honorary chairman David Hoffman recalled that among the promises made by Green when he arrived here in 1958 with his wife Sylvia and 6-week-old son Gershon — "but which we didn't quite catch the meaning of till later" — was that he would "create and build a day school by the time his son was 4 years old."

The Hamilton Hebrew Academy Zichron Meir was duly opened in 1962 and today, out of a total of the 95% of the community's children enrolled in Jewish education, 50% attended the Academy.

Hoffman said he was present some years ago at a Torah U-Mesorah (National Association of Orthodox Day Schools) dinner in New York when Green was accorded a standing ovation by over 300 guests "who couldn't comprehend how a community of our size (under 4,000 Jews) could attract such a large number of students, let alone fund such an institution."

"Hamilton is not merely a city, it is a concept in the approach to the realities of Jewish living," said Wurzburger, formerly of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue of Toronto, adjunct professor of philosophy at Yeshiva University and editor of Tradition.

Hamilton, he added, "is a challenge to all of us and Rabbi Green can show us what can be done.

"If there is to be a Jewish future, we must make sure that our children learn what it means to be committed to the Jewish people. It is easy just to fade away. The real issue today," he observed, "is neither intermarriage nor assimilation or just drifting away, but that we no longer generate the will to survive as Jews.

"But as long as there is a Jewish community in Hamilton, there will be a force for Jewish survival," he declared.

Deeply moved by the many tributes, Green expressed his gratitude to all who had helped in bringing the project about and who had worked on the dinner and that he himself had been able "to contribute even a little bit to the realization of this dream."

Among those who paid tribute to Green were Fay Leibtag, general chairperson for the dinner, who also presented Rabbi and Mrs. Green with an inscribed silver samovar; Liberal MP for Hamilton West, Dr. Stanley Hudecki, who brought greetings from the government; regional chairman Anne Jones and Mayor Bob Morrow; and Federation president Jack Brown, as well as his colleagues Rabbi Bernard Baskin of Temple Anshe Sholom and Rabbi Israel Silverman of Beth Jacob Synagogue.

Israeli painter Eitan Dvir, who now makes his home in Hamilton and who will have an exhibition of his works at the Koffler Gallery in Toronto in May, presented Rabbi Green with a portrait, and Eve Pascoe of Toronto made a presentation on behalf of Boys Town of Jerusalem. The dinner chairman was Judge Norman Bennett.

Adam Stern

NS orchestra at synagogue

HALIFAX — Shaar Shalom Synagogue will host the nationally acclaimed Nova Scotia Youth Orchestra at a pops concert March 25 at 2 p.m.

Highlighting the concert will be the orchestral debut of 15-year-old Adam Stern, the young pianist who last year tied for first place in his class at the prestigious Canadian Music Competition in Montreal.

Stern, who was invited to perform at the inaugural concert of the DeCoste Art Centre in Pictou, NS, is the son of Shaar Shalom president Alan Stern and his wife Janet.

The NSYO, made up of young musicians throughout Nova Scotia, will present a concert of Jewish folk and liturgical music, as well as popular themes from Exodus.

The 70 musicians are under the direction of Prof. Robert Raines of the Acadia University School of Music.

The 160-family shul is taking its second step in establishing itself as the centre for Jewish arts in Atlantic Canada. Last year it presented a concert of Jewish music with the Hamilton Philharmonic Orchestra's Boris Brott and 40 local symphony musicians.

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A more flexible attitude needed

Jews blamed for exaggerating solidity of family

TORONTO —

David Gordis, the newly-elected executive vice-president of the American Jewish Committee, told worshippers at Toronto's Beth Tzedec Congregation that the organized Jewish community may have to adopt a more flexible attitude towards some of the new family structures in society today.

Gordis suggested that current responses to family breakdown involving divorce, single parent families and spousal abuse are sometimes based on unrealistic perceptions about what Jewish life was like in the European experience.

Jews, said Gordis, have tended to idealize the ghetto phase in Jewish life and have romanticized it to the point that a totally unrealistic picture has been painted.

He said that just as we have exaggerated the piety quotient of Eastern European Jews, we have tended to exaggerate the solidity of the family unit among the same population.

Even if current patterns of the Jewish family are comparatively stable, this, according to Gordis, does not mean that there are no problems. According to the Gordis view, many eruptions in the Jewish family unit stem from the disregard of basic Jewish values.

Ignoring those basics, he continued, has caused estrangement, divorce, delinquency and the disturbing phenomenon of Jewish defections (among the young) to various cults.

Gordis indicated that some of the young Jewish people have also embraced "Jewish cults." He did not identify the cults in question but did say that many of the young Jewish defectors have found in the cults a sense of love and belonging which they have been denied in the conventional Jewish institutions.

With regard to an approach to family disruptions in the Jewish community, Gordis had a number of suggestions. More effort, he said, must be devoted to inculcating the traditional Jewish teachings about the purpose and conduct of the marriage relationship.

There are four basic rubrics which Gordis offered in this regard: Shlom Bais (the harmonious household), Kiddushin (the recognition that sexual and other patterns of conduct within the marriage bond be seen as part of the sanctity of the union), Giddul Banim (the responsibility for raising children according to religious norms) and Kibbud Av V'Aim (the inculcation of the Torah precept of honoring parents).

Gordis went on to suggest that the organized Jewish community will have to become more flexible towards those units which fall outside the traditional.

He chided synagogues, for example, for not having any significant programming aimed at unmarried singles.

Gordis also rebuked certain synagogue constituencies for being insufficiently sensitive to the presence in their midsts of large numbers of converts to Judaism who, while accepted nominally as full members of the community, "experience a certain unstated coldness within the synagogue community."

Gordis also suggested that more tolerance be displayed towards new kinds of living-together arrangements involving couples or collectives.

Perhaps the most startling of Gordis' pronouncements was the assertion that synagogues should look again at the problem of intermarriage involving Jews.

Instead of writing off the new unit as lost to Judaism, Gordis said that attempts might be made to show the non-Jewish partner a congenial reception in the hope that a Jewish role for both may be possible.

Rauca's death suspect: author

By
DAVID PIERSON

TORONTO —

Accused Nazi war criminal Albert Helmut Rauca may have been murdered or committed suicide instead of facing trial in West Germany, says the author of War Criminal on Trial: The Rauca Case.

"I am not a believer in conspiracy theories, but there are so many coincidences surrounding the case that I doubt that Helmut Rauca died of natural causes," Sol Littman told a recent meeting at Beth Sholom Synagogue.

Although Littman said he had no proof of foul play, such coincidences as Rauca dying on the exact day that he allegedly sent 10,000 Jews to their death 45 years earlier, leave him highly suspicious.

Littman said it is very difficult to get a war criminal conviction and the 50-50 odds of getting off might have been too high for a Jewish vengeance group called Din, which means "judgment" or "justice" in Hebrew.

Littman also believes Nazi sympathizers may have silenced Rauca to keep him from spilling any valuable information at his trial. Another motivation would have been "to rob the Jews of a psychological victory," Littman said.

He said it is "absolutely disgraceful" that Rauca is the only war criminal in 40 years to be deported from Canada and the Canadian government should take steps to rectify the situation. He said that the estimate of 1,000 Nazi collaborators in Canada is a conservative one and could be as high as 2,000.

Under Canada's current laws, a person can be deported for murder and the only reason Rauca was deported was that he had allegedly murdered three people himself during the war.

Littman said the government should change the law to make it easier to deport war criminals, assign more manpower in tracking them down and should sign extradition treaties with Eastern bloc Communist countries.

He said that under present conditions in Canada, it was a miracle that Rauca was found at all and it was mainly because of the persistence of the West German government, which insisted that Rauca was in Canada, that he was caught.

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TORONTO —

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"There are dangers from taking certain nutrients, including those which are water soluble," she says, "and these include vitamin C. Related problems can include the unnecessary dependency on big doses and a rebound effect when they are reduced or eliminated."

Welsh, the chairman of the department of food, nutrition, consumer and family studies at Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, will be the keynote speaker at the annual Kashruth Seminar and Passover Workshop on March 28 at 8.15 p.m. at the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn.

An hour before the seminar, a workshop on the ABCs of Making Passover will be held from 7 to 8 p.m. for new homemakers who wish to learn how to prepare for Passover, as well as for those who would like a refresher course.

The meeting is sponsored by the Orthodox Division of the Canadian Jewish Congress with the theme: Nutrition, Lifestyle and Your Health.

Jennifer Welsh

At a planning session for the seminar, Welsh said she objects to taking pills or having "a formula approach to health and living.

"I like to see people fitting nutrition into their lives in the way it pleases them most and there is no one right way to eat or one right diet. It disturbs me to see people promoting one diet — and we must realize that there are numerous good ways to eat."

Welsh emphasizes that it is important to look at and understand the meaning of the words we use in connection with food.

"There are many misconceptions about words like convenience, natural, artificial, organic, additives and health foods. We think we know what they mean and therefore we automatically categorize them as good or bad." This, says Welsh, "is innacurate and often harmful."

At the seminar, Welsh will discuss these terms and the obsessions of people who focus on health as "an end in itself, rather than health as a means to some other purpose in life."

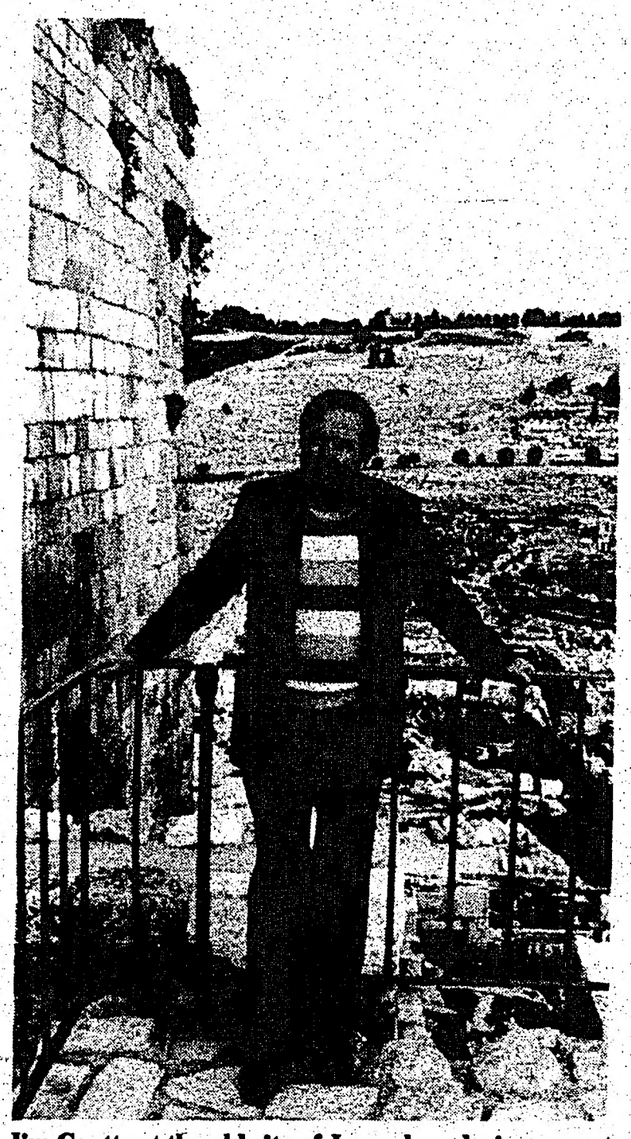
Welsh received a Masters degree in nuitrition from the University of Toronto in 1971 and has taught nutrition at Ryerson since 1970.

Public relations consultant Cynthia Gasner will be the moderator at the seminar. Rabbi Yitzchok Kerzner, vice-chairman of the Rabbinical Vaad Hakashruth and Irving Feldman, president of the Toronto Jewish Congress and chairman of the Orthodox Division, will participate in the panel discussion in an overview of Passover.

The workshop at 7 p.m. will feature Rabbi Baruch Taub and of the BAYT in Thornhill and Esther Schwartz, kosher cooking consultant.

The seminar and workshop are open to the community. There will be a question and answer period and refreshments will be served. There is no charge.

Coutts hears issues first hand during swing through Israel



Jim Coutts at the old city of Jerusalem during recent visit to Israel.

TORONTO —

Jim Coutts, former principal secretary to Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, visited Israel at the end of January on a fact-finding mission, under auspices of the Canada-Israel Committee. Coutts now resides in Toronto.

He has visited the Middle East before, but this was his first trip to the Jewish state.

During his 7-day tour, he traveled throughout the country and engaged in a series of discussions with Israeli politicians, diplomats, journalists and academics.

His itinerary took him from the Good Fence at Metullah south to the Arava and Masada. He also visited Tel Aviv, Haifa, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Bethlehem, the Golan Heights and the Allenby Bridge.

Coutts heard analyses of the issues on Israel's domestic and foreign affairs agendas from Yitzhak Rabin, Prof. Yosef Rom and various members of the Knesset.

He discussed Canada-Israel relations with Eitan Bentzur, director of the North American division of the foreign ministry, and also spoke with Ari Rath, editor and managing director of the Jerusalem Post.

Coutts' trip was arranged as part of an ongoing program by the CIC "to expose prominent Canadians to the realities of modern-day Israel."

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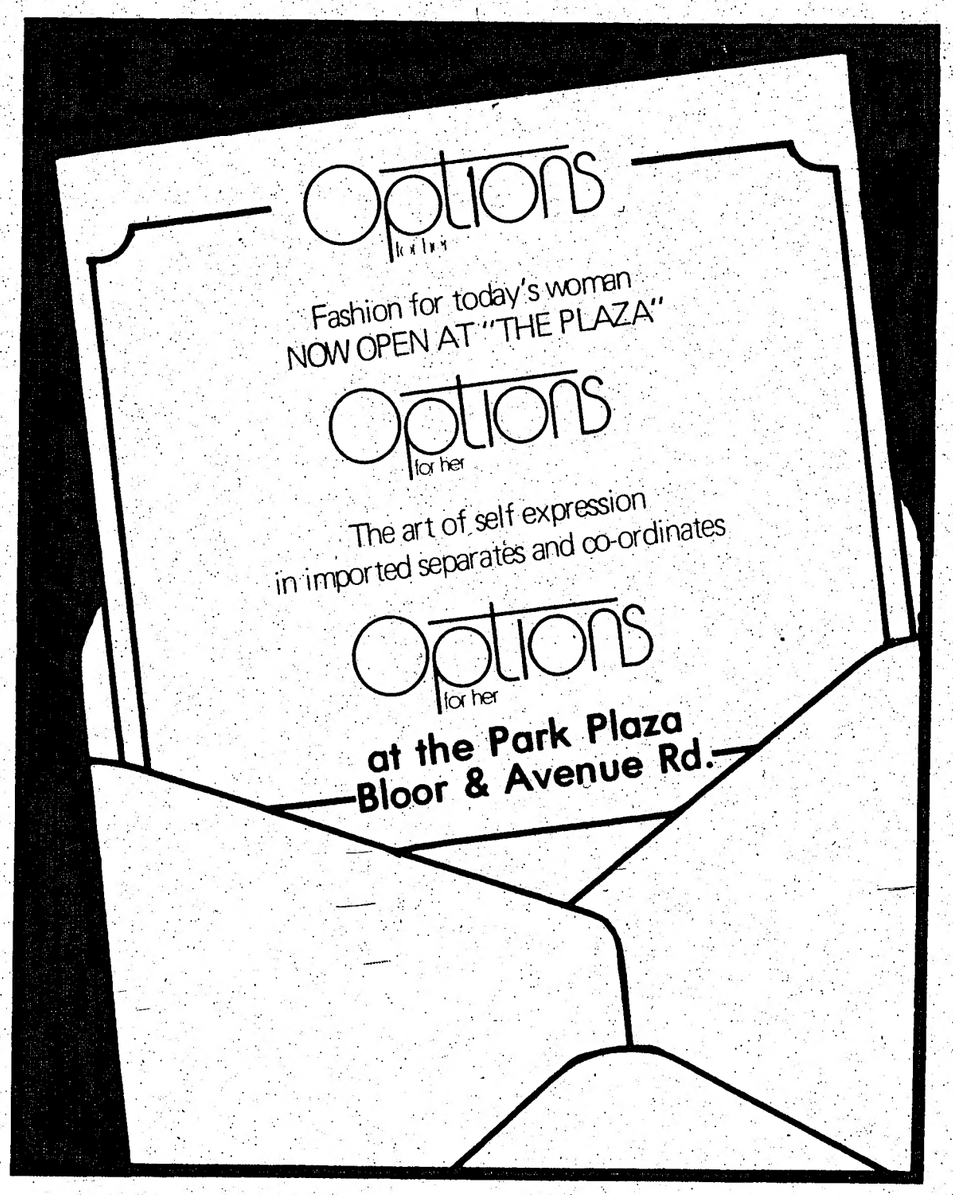

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Arts

Hundreds of questions raised

Rash heroics of discoverers portrayed

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

The Discoverers, by Daniel J. Boorstin. Random House of Canada, $33.

This is a remarkable book — a vivid, dramatic and sweeping survey of many forms of human discovery. In his examination of such broad themes as time, the earth and the seas, nature and society, the author, an eminent historian and librarian of Congress, points out that superstition, error, illusion and myth are an essential part of his story.

The great voyagers of the human spirit, almost always, had to struggle against the conventional and fixed ideas and concepts of the time. They had to swim against the intellectual currents and were forced to challenge the established facts and dogmas of the learned.

Just imagine the state of knowledge of the earth and continents before Columbus, Balboa, Magellan and Captain Cook. How many "truths" had to be dispelled about the heavens by Copernicus, Galileo and Kepler? How meagre was human knowledge about anatomy and disease before Paracelsus, Vesalaius and Harvey? How fanciful and bizarre were the widespread notions about plants and animals before Linnaeus, Darwin and Pasteur? How limited was society's knowledge of the physical world and its manifold properties before Newton, Faraday and Einstein?

"Only against the forgotten backdrop of the received common sense and myths of the time can we begin to sense the courage, the rashness, the heroic and imaginative thrusts of the great discoverers," says Boorstin.

In this volume of 700 pages, with information conveyed on every page, the reader is taken on a journey of human quest and ingenuity that led to the discovery of the clock, the compass, the telescope, the printing press, etc. Hundreds of questions are raised as man makes his slow intellectual way from antiquity to the present.

Where Jews and Judaism are involved the reader is provided with information that is both interesting and unfamiliar. For example, a discussion about maps and cartography in the 14th century indicates that Jews "played a leading role in the liberation of Europeans from the slavery of Christian geography. Driven from place to place, they helped make cartography, still the special preserve of princes and high bureaucrats, into an international science . . . the Jews became teachers and emissaries bringing Arab learning into the Christian world."

In Boorstin's discussion of Columbus it is disclosed that his day of departure from Spain in 1492 was decreed as the deadline for the expulsion of all Jews from the country. Any who remained thereafter were to be executed unless they embraced the Christian faith. "In the early morning of Aug. 3 the very same tide that carried the hapless Jews to an old world of persecutions carried Columbus' three vessels . . . toward their unwitting discovery of a new refuge for the persecuted."

The Jewish tradition of reckoning time according to the biblical chronology was followed by an Irish prelate named James Ussher (1581-1656) who as a result of scholarly study discovered that "The Creation had occurred on Oct. 26, 4004 BC at 9 a.m."

It wasn't until a century later that George Buffon opened the vistas of modern biology by bringing the whole earth and all its plants and animals on to the stage of history.

This book conveys a wealth of information in an unusual and entertaining manner. It will be cherished by everyone who shares man's unquenchable desire to understand himself and his world.

Children's Dance Festival scheduled for York gym

TORONTO —

The 14th Annual Israeli Dance Festival for Children, sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre and Board of Jewish Education will take place March 25 at 3 p.m. in the Tait McKenzie Gym, York University.

Participating will be: Associated Hebrew Schools, Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue, Beth Tikvah Youth, Beth Tikvah Congregational School, Beth David, B'nai Israel, Beth Am Synagogue, Bet Sefer Solel of Mississauga, Bialik Hebrew Day School, Downtown Jewish Community School, Jewish Community Centre of Toronto, London Jewish Community Centre, Sarnia Jewish Community Centre, Shaareh Haim, Shaar Shalom School, Temple Har Zion, Temple Sinai, United Synagogue Day Schools — Bathurst & Bayview Branches, Windsor Jewish Community Centre.

Performing groups will be: Associated Junior High School, Bialik Hebrew Day School and Neurim and Nirkoda Israeli Dancers.

Admission is $2, children under 12 free. For more information call Teme Kernerman at 636-1880, ext. 339 or 261.

The Koffler Gallery plans glass exhibit

TORONTO —

The Koffler Centre of the Arts recently announced plans for an exhibit that should be of interest to anyone who likes their artistic concepts to come across as clear as glass.

To coincide with the Canadian National Glass Conference to be held in Toronto on March 22-25, the Koffler Gallery, the Centre's main showcase, will premiere a major international glass sculpture exhibition from Finland. Featuring works by Finnish artsits Oiva Toikka, Timo Sarpaneva, Tapio Wirkkala, Kay Franck and Inkeri Toikka, among others, the exhibit is scheduled to run from March 23 to April 27.

Also running in conjunction with the conference and Finnish exhibit, the Koffler Loggia Gallery will be presenting a display of works by 14 Canadian artists in stained glass. And the gallery's Showcase Shop will feature glasswork throughout the two shows.

On April 1, a special event called Glass Sunday is being organized by the gallery for members of the public who want further insights into the art form. Films, lectures and demonstrations will deal with the techniques and history of making art out of glass. Events will run from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. that day.

As a prelude to the month-long celebration of glasswork, the Leah Posluns Theatre's main lobby is currently exhibiting glass sculpture by Czechoslovakian artists Novak, Junior and Senior. This display will remain at the LPT until March 25.

Viewing hours at the Koffler are Monday to Thursday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to noon; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The gallery is closed on Saturdays.

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CICF honors cellist Ofra Harnoy

Musical mobile unit reaches out to underprivileged

music

By
RICK KARDONNE

The Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation is honoring cellist Ofra Harnoy at her Centre-Stage Music concert on Monday, March 26 at St. Lawrence Centre. The proceeds from this fund raising event will be used for the CICF's ongoing project: Tzlil-Am, a musical mobile unit in Israel.

Tzlil-Am is one of CICF's most important contributions — an exciting outreach program for underprivileged Israeli youth, helping them to become part of the mainstream of Israel's cultural life.

Since 1957, Tzlil-Am, or Sound of the People, has been dispatching mobile units to bring cultural programs to the border settlements, villages and development towns of Israel. Consisting mainly of immigrants from the Mideast and North Africa, these people have been culturally isolated from the major urban centres of Israel.

Housed within the mobile units are audio-visual equipment and tapes. Music-loving youngsters gather with a qualified music instructor in local youth centres to participate in singing and dancing. Often there is "standing room only" as the youngsters are introduced to musical works, the history of dance, and orchestral instruments.

Today, Tzlil-Am provides support for numerous bands and choirs composed of Israeli youth. Tzlil-Am has seven mobile units and each month they visit 110 communities.

The Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation has provided one of these units, but there is an ongoing need for more. Much of the equipment is worn and needs constant replacing. In addition, musical instruments are required to meet orchestral requirements.

Tzlil-Am is, for many, the bridge to a more enriched life. Harnoy has lent her name to this most worthy endeavor, and a capacity attendance for this recital by this most enthralling performer will ensure this project's success.

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Not-to-be-missed: a benefit concert for Ethiopian Jewry to be hosted by one of North America's leading comedy stylists, Eugene Levy of Second City fame, to take place March 15 at 8.30 p.m. at Adath Israel.

Co-produced by the York University Jewish Students Federation and Adath Israel, this event will feature dancer Judy Tova Bricks and Toronto's leading exponents of the most exciting pop-dance style in the past 30 years, breakdancing: the Freeze City Rockers. Classical guitarist Neil Lager will also perform.

Proceeds will raise money for a scholarship fund established by Ethiopian Rabbi Hadani to facilitate education for the teaching of Ethiopian rabbis in Israel, where over 4,000 Ethiopian Jews have immigrated. This project costs $8,000 U.S. per year.

It promises to be a high quality, varied fun event to sponsor a most worthy cause. Hopefully there will be a capacity audience at Adath Israel.

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One who climbs a mountain but who doesn't quite make it deserves more credit than one who successfully climbs a hill. This describes the relative merits of the various pieces offered at Toronto Independent Dance Enterprise's recent half-week performance at Harborfront.

The more ambitious work, Warriors, conceived and performed by Allan Risdill and Gary Kurtz, begins as an ingenious comment on the corporate one-upmanship wargame, set to a tape of a favorite executive sport: racquetball.

Following a buildup of tension, the dance loses its way when the two remove their ties and embrace each other. If this is meant to signify cooperation replacing competition, the transition is unclear.

Still, such ambition is preferable to the tamer aspirations of the more polished works which preceded and followed. The whimsical Set in Motion by Denise Fujiwara, capably accompanied by percussionist-composer Eric Cadesky, is ideal for older children, but says nothing new to a seasoned evening-adult audience.

While Paula Ravitz's Cloudburst Canyon appears well molded and sensibly coordinated, its dramatic impact is hampered by Stuart Shepherd's modern-but-derivative score which after a pulsating beginning peters out at the end with slow choral repetition of the word Molecules.

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The great Swiss oboist Heinz Holliger, who often performs in Israel and who has frequently performed with, as well as having composed for, Toronto violist Rivka Golani-Erdesz, appears in recital at Roy Thomson Hall on March 17.

Long, strident opening scene affects Second Time Around

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Second Time Around, at the Leah Posluns Theatre until March 24, never recovers from a strident, high-pitched opening scene. This is unfortunate because the play, written by Henry Denker, has an interesting plot and some very funny lines.

A widow and a widower, both in their 60s, decide to move in together; the son of the widow and the daughter of the widower are scandalized, so much so that they throw up every roadblock they can think of... but they fail.

The couple, played by Anthony Parr and Helen Hughes, are quite believable, Parr knowing the value of understatement and Hughes having the voice and mannerisms of a New York widow of that generation.

Unfortunately, the son, Mike (Paul Persofsky) and the daughter, Cynthia (Pam Hyatt) have a long opening scene, and the shrillness of delivery and one-dimensional interpretation of Mike set things off on the wrong foot. There is a tendency at the Leah Posluns to play this kind of scene at a high decibel level and for the lowest common denominator, which is a pity. Often, the lines can speak for themselves.

One reason the couple has for moving in together, without benefit of marriage, is that their social security payments will not be reduced. This is an important part of the plot. But the rather opulent apartment that widower Samuel Jonas lives in does not lend it credence.

Besides the sparkling performance of Hughes as the widow, there is a fine piece of acting by Terrence Slater as the psychoanalyst (Cynthia's husband) who tries to dismiss the affair as an attempt by the two mature lovers to gain revenge on their late spouses.

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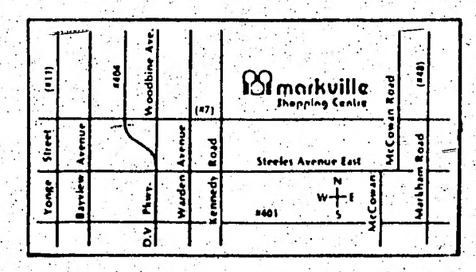

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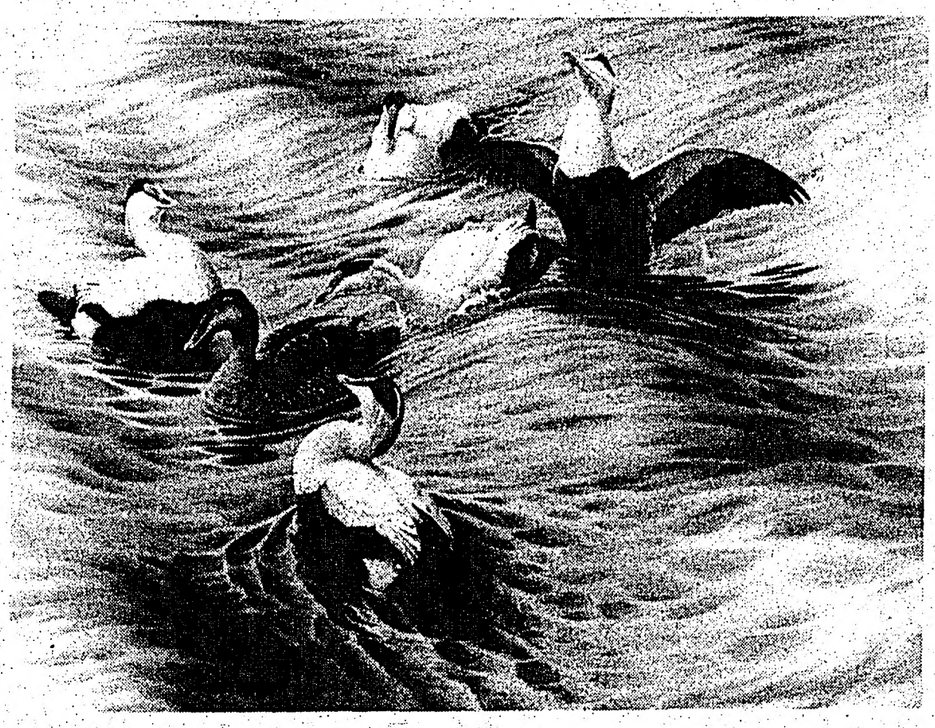

Common Eiders by Jean-Luc Grondin.

Gallery gatherings

Gallery offers works by psychiatric patients

Art Gallery of Ontario — From the Four Quarters: The History of Native and European Art in Ontario, 5000 BC to 1867 AD, is an exploration of artistic activity in what is now Ontario. The exhibition opens March 30 and runs through May 20.

Art works created by patients at Netherne Psychiatric Hospital in Surrey, England speak eloquently of art as therapy in this exhibition through April 15.

I Spit on Life and Where am I? Who am I? Why am I? are dramatic evidence of a mind sorting through conflicting emotion by self-expression. Artist is William Kurelek and the paintings are part of the exhibition, Selections from the Adamson Collection.

Norval Morrisseau: an evaluation of Woodland Indian art runs through April 15. Norval Morrisseau has established a secure place in the history of mid-20th-century Canadian art.

His career, and that phenomenon of contemporary Canadian culture loosely defined as "Woodland" art are examined in Norval Morrisseau and the Emergence of the Image Makers.

For more information on Art Gallery shows call 977-0414.

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The Justina M. Barnicke Gallery — presents Jayce Salloum ". . . In the absence of heroes . . ." Part III: Paradigmatic shifts. An installation of 30-inch by 40-inch ektacolor photographs from television sources is featured in the West Gallery from March 22-April 19. Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Hart House, University of Toronto.

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Royal Ontario Museum — An exhibition of 35 paintings of Eastern Canadian birds by Quebec wildlife artist Jean-Luc Grondin will be featured through April 2.

Grondin is noted for his realistic portrayal of birds in their natural habitats. His birds are always shown in movement and in harmony with the changing seasons.

Czech orchestra appearance revives memories of conductor

By MIRIAM CHINSKY

TORONTO —

When the renowned Czech Philharmonic appears in concert at Roy Thomson Hall under the baton of Vaclav Neumann March 22, 23 and 24, another distinguished Czech export and former conductor of the orchestra, Karel Ancerl will be remembered.

Ancerl was musical director of the Toronto Symphony from 1969 until failing health forced his resignation in 1973, a relatively short tenure, but his impact endures. He died in 1974 at the age of 65.

The genius of Bedrich Smetana, father of national music in Bohemia (now Czechoslovakia), will also be recalled as the Czech orchestra observes the centenary of his death with performances of two best-loved compositions, The Moldau and The Vysehrad. These programs are under the auspices of the Toronto Symphony.

Ancerl, born in the Bohemian village of Tucapy, later part of Czechoslovakia, overcame crushing circumstance to attain genuine respect in the musical world.

During World War II he lost his parents, wife and infant son in the ovens of Auschwitz and was himself kept alive because he could work. But he developed diabetes and bronchitis, and only exceptional will power kept him going.

In the last days of the war he narrowly escaped execution when he and some other prisoners were discovered planning an escape. The rapid advance of the Russian army saved them before sentence could be carried out.

Ancerl had always wanted to be a musician. He began violin lessons at 6, and by the age of 11, was playing regularly with a local teacher's college orchestra.

He was eager to enter the Prague Conservatory of Music, but his father was adamant about a law career. Secretly he stopped attending final year high school classes to prepare for Conservatory admission exams, telling his father the truth after he was accepted.

As a young man in the early 30s, he became a conductor for the band of the Liberated Theatre, an avant-garde revue focusing on political satire and anti-fascist skits. His jazz recordings with the band are valued as classics today.

After his first appearance with the prestigious Czech Philharmonic in 1935, doors began to open.

The Nazi occupation abruptly halted everything. Dismissed from Czech Radio and, as a Jew, unable to find other employment, he took his wife to live with his parents in Tucapy where he taught violin and worked at odd jobs as a miner, a woodcutter, a laborer. Then the family was transported to a concentration camp.

Back in Prague after the war he began to piece together his broken life, becoming conductor of the new Fifth of May opera and returning to Prague Radio.

When he assumed direction of the Toronto Symphony in 1963, Ancerl brought inspiration and a determined work ethic. He was particularly noted for his "very good concept of the German and Czech classic composers."

Last year when the Toronto Symphony was on tour in Europe, conductor Andrew Davis dedicated a concert in Prague to Ancerl.

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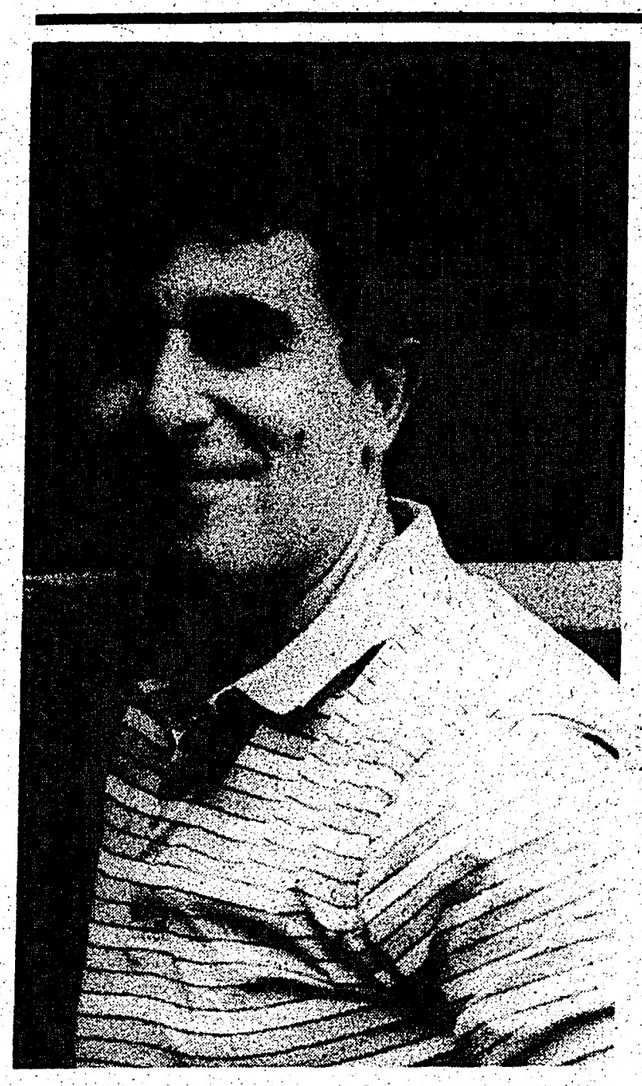


Saul Rubinek

Estragon role challenges actor

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
Saul Rubinek considers the role of Estragon in Waiting for Godot one of the most challenging he has ever done. The Samuel Beckett play will be at Toronto Free Theatre March 14-April 8.

The 35-year-old Jewish actor was literally born into the theatre, at a survivors' camp, outside Munich, in 1948, where his father acted in a Yiddish Theatre Company at the camp. (His parents, Israel and Fania Rubinek, now live in Ottawa, where Israel, now retired, opened a retail store in the mid-1950's.)

Rubinek, who speaks fluent Yiddish, began taking acting lessons at the Ottawa Little Theatre when he was only 8. His father directed him in a Yizkor ceremony for the Ottawa Jewish community.

He made his mark in Toronto's burgeoning theatre scene in the 1970s in numerous productions at Theatre Passe Muraille and Toronto Free Theatre.

Since then he has appeared in many films, including Ticket to Heaven, for which he won the Genie Award for Best Supporting Actor. Rubinek has played in many CBC-TV productions, including Love on the Nose, by Ted Allen, in which he was tne young Marxist, and The Wordsmith, an adaptation of The Street by Mordecai Richler.

Recently he carried the lead role in a 5-part CBC-Radio adaptation of Joshua, Then and Now, also by Richler.

Waiting for Godot marks Rubinek's first return to the stage in Toronto since the 1976-77 season when he appeared in BAAL by Bertold Brecht.

He's excited about the Beckett classic because he believes it to be a far more accessible play, and a funnier one, than most people consider it.

"A lot of people think they've seen Waiting for Godot because they've heard so much about it, and read so much about it." He and fellow actor Neil Munro, who plays Vladimir, approached Toronto Free Theatre with the idea, and were delighted when the theatre decided to stage it. Donald Davis and Eric Peterson round out the strong cast. It is directed by Peter Froehlich.

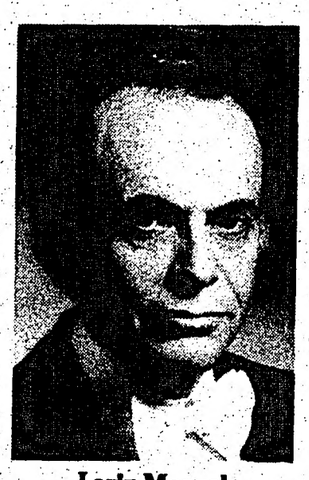
Rubinek has finished the first draft of a book about the Holocaust experiences of his parents, titled My Mother, My Father, a project on which he worked in his spare time over the past seven years. He is now working on a comic novel about the entertainment world in Toronto, titled Small Time.

"Israeli audiences wonderful"

Conductor has warm ties with Israel

By
RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO —
One of the world's most recognized conductors, Lorin Maazel, currently in Toronto at Roy Thomson Hall conducting l'Orchestre National de France of which he is musical director, has also been closely linked to the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra (IPO) for the past quarter-century.



Lorin Maazel

First conducting the IPO in the early 1960s, Maazel has served with the IPO for the greater part of a season, every two or three seasons, for the past 24 years. He has many fond and exciting memories of his extensive time in Israel.

These include performances at kibbutzim and performances at settlements under the Golan Heights prior to the Six Day War when the Syrians shelled the settlements.

"That was great fun, and the Israeli audiences were wonderful," reminisces Maazel, who was interviewed in New York last week prior to arrival here.

Illness precluded his return to Israel three weeks ago, but he will return in November to conduct the IPO in what he describes as "wonderful halls" such as the Mann Auditorium and the Jerusalem Theatre.

Maazel has also presented Israeli compositions to the repertoires of other leading world orchestras which he has led. For example, he conducted the American premiere of Joseph Tal's piano concerto with the Cleveland Orchestra six years ago.

A leading exponent of contemporary composers, Maazel is happy to believe that contemporary serious music is becoming more melodic. No longer is the Varese ideal of "organization of sounds" [without any regard to musical inspiration] the ultimate standard.

Contemporary serious music remains complex and sophisticated, but it is becoming increasingly re-infused with identifiable emotion and melody accessible to mass audiences, he says.

As an example of this new melodic sentiment, Maazel points to Luciano Berio's new opera The King who Listens, which he will be world-premiering at the Salzburg Festival in August and will be presented elsewhere shortly afterwards (how about it, at least, Opera in Concert here in Toronto?).

Maazel also gives as leading examples of this new melodicism in contemporary music the works of von Einem, Nightmusic by Cherha, and contemporary French composers Oliver Messaien (whose Transfiguration Maazel will premiere in Paris' Church of St. Denis), Gilbert Ami and Marius Constant.

Maazel is also artistic director of the Vienna State Opera, a post formerly held by Gustav Mahler, Felix Weingarten, Bruno Walter and Richard Strauss.

In this capacity, he will be conducting new versions of Elektra and Aida. But he is particularly excited about what will be the first version of perhaps the most authentic possible performance of Madame Butterfly by the Vienna State Opera: by an all-Japanese cast (except, of course, the role of Col. Pinkerton), to be performed in both Vienna and Japan.

The total list of accomplishments by Maazel over his long and distinguished career are too numerous to mention here.

What has particularly distinguished him has been his flawless choice of material with an emphasis on what has been the creative forefront in each musical era, including our own: a choice exemplified by the repertoire for both his current Roy Thomson Hall appearances with l'Orchestre National de France.

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Although it is weighted in favor of Manhattan, NYC Access surveys at length the boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens, Bronx and Staten Island. Wurman even has a section on neighboring New Jersey.

Like virtually all guidebooks, this one is subjective in its judgments and choices of monuments, restaurants or stores to visit. But in reading it, one gets the strong impression that Wurman knows his stuff.

New York, of course, is a gustatory delight, and Wurman is fast off the mark in ticking off his favorite culinary spots. Sammy's Romanian (157 Chrystie St.) is, in his opinion, the best Jewish restaurant in town. And the Carnegie Deli (854 7th Ave.) is the best delicatessen.

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The most superior Middle Eastern restaurants are found along Atlantic Ave., but so are the finest antique shops, he observes.

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West Palm kosher hotel

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Catskills remains popular spot

Travelers can take advantage of Passover packages

By ROSE KLEINER

If you are planning to be away for Passover you will find a wide choice of places to go to this year. Strictly kosher Passover holiday packages are available in many parts of the U.S. as well as in Mexico, Europe and Israel.

Those who wish to save on air fare can celebrate Passover at several locations within driving distance from Canada, mainly the Catskills.

Outstanding among the Catskills hotels is the now legendary Grossingers. You don't only get a traditional holiday atmosphere and excellent food, you also get all the amenities that a top resort can offer.

In addition, Grossingers brings many excellent speakers and entertainers from the NY area.

Passover at the Concord and the Homowack hotels is also unique. A 45-voice Symphonic Chorale will officiate at services and the seders at the Concord Hotel. Prominent speakers are scheduled there too.

An advantage to staying in the Catskills is that one can go into New York City for the day.

Within New York, on Staten Island, there is the hotel Simcha By The Sea, overlooking the ocean. Besides maintaining "the highest standards of kashruth," the hotel advertises private sedorim, which might be welcomed by large families. Daily transportation is arranged to Manhattan, which is only half an hour away.

Another location, near New York, now offering a Passover package is Cherry Hill, New Jersey. One-and-a-half hours away from New York, one hour from Atlantic City and Washington, Cherry Hill has accommodation at the Holiday Inn and the Rickshaw Hotel and Cabana Club.

Glatt kosher and Cholov Yisroel meals will be served. Indoor pools and other facilities, as well as free trips to Atlantic City will be part of the package.

A special attraction here is the Passover for Singles approach. There will be two groups of singles, Young Orthodox (19-30) and Professional Orthodox (over 30), with special programs and entertainment. Special seders will be conducted for the Singles group, and free round-trip bus transportation from New York City is included.

If you prefer staying in Atlantic City, Teplitzky's advertises itself as the only year-round glatt kosher hotel there. Located at the boardwalk end of Chelsea Ave., the hotel has a synagogue on the premises. A year-round pool and turkish bath are on the grounds, and the casinos are two minutes away.

Further west from New York, in Mt. Pocono, Pa., is the Mt. Airy Lodge, providing the guest with a traditional atmosphere and "gourmet glatt kosher cuisine" as well as a plethora of other resort attractions.

Among the unusual features here are swimming pools in some of the rooms and an indoor sports palace. Among the sports available on its 1,500-acre grounds are horseback riding, golf and indoor tennis.

All the way out west, in Palm Springs, Calif., the new Royce Resort Hotel is offering 9-day packages for Passover. Glatt kosher [National Kashruth] meals, a synagogue on the premises, and all individual suites are part of the tour.

Moving south to Florida the selection of ocean front hotels with Passover packages runs from Hollywood down to Miami Beach.

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Heading south along Miami Beach there are several large hotels which will have strictly kosher facilities for Passover. The Deauville, the Konover, the Eden Roc and the Fontainebleau all offer glatt kosher meals along with elegant accommodation and sports facilities.

The Eden Roc and the Fontainebleau are both within walking distance of all the kosher hotels in the area.

Down along Collins Ave. are many of the well known kosher hotels, among them the Barcelona, the Waldman, Caribbean, Crown and the Saxony. All are walking distance from each other. All have special Passover packages, and all cater both to singles and to large families during the Passover holidays.

Other locations for celebrating a strictly kosher Passover include Acapulco's Hotel Romanos and El Presidente Americana. Ambassador Kosher Tours of New York offers glatt kosher Passover tours to places as far flung as Spain's Costa del Sol and Hawaii, and to such "closer" destinations as Puerto Rico and St. Maarten.

Jewish tourism needed

JERUSALEM — Tourism Minister Abraham Sharir, noting that 80% of American Jews have never been to Israel, said Jewish tourism would not only help the Israeli economy, but would bolster Jewish identity and support for Israel.

Sharir told the founding meeting of the Public Council for the Encouragement of Jewish Tourism to Israel that links between Israel and Diaspora Jewry were becoming "weaker and weaker."

Arye Tzimuki, head of the Zionist Council, said more German Christians come to Israel every year than American Jews.

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Teammates, coach murdered by terrorists

Israeli sprinter wins bronze medal for 72 Olympics role

sports scene

By GARY COHEN

Former Israeli sprint champion Esther Roth, 32, was recently presented with an Olympic bronze medal in Tel Aviv for her courageous action during the 1972 Munich Olympics where Palestinian terrorists murdered 11 members of the Israeli team.

The award was presented to Roth, the first Israeli ever to reach an Olympic event final, by Juan Antonio Samaranch of Spain, president of the International Olympic Committee.

Sprinter Esther Roth

Roth was cited for her "example of Olympic spirit" for having continued to compete after her teammates, including her coach of seven years Amitzur Shapira, were gunned down in their athlete's village residence at the Games.

Roth went as far as the 100-metre semi-final round before withdrawing from competition at Munich following the death of her compatriots. She returned, after a brief retirement sparked by the Olympic tragedy, to take part in the 1976 Montreal Games where she advanced to the 100 metre finals and finished sixth overall in the event.

During his 3-day Israel visit to honor Roth, Samaranch said he would do his best to have Israel included in European groupings at future international sports events. Israel has been trying for years to be included in European soccer tournaments with limited success.

The IOC president made his remarks in reference to Israel's exclusion under Arab pressure from many regional athletic meets.

Samaranch said he would shortly speak to the president of FIFA, the international football authority, regarding Israel's acceptance into European soccer competitions.

Israel currently participates only in European basketball — Maccabi Tel Aviv has twice been champions — and continental handball matches.

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Gymnast Daniel Fedder, 21, of Toronto collected a gold medal for his performance on parallel bars at the recent Canadian Interuniversity Athletics Association championships in Edmonton.

The University of Toronto dental student was also selected to the CIAU all-Canadian team based on his showing at the nationals.

A 1981 Maccabiah Games silver medalist, Fedder won six gold medals and added a silver at the Maccabi Pan Am Games in Sao Paulo, Brazil two months ago to virtually cement a spot on the Canadian team which will travel to the 1985 international Israeli Games.

Daniel's father, Dr. Jay Fedder, chairman of the Maccabi Canada gymnastics selection committee, told Sports Scene that a final selection meet for aspiring Maccabiah gymnasts will be held this fall. In the interim, he is hoping to hear from a number of Jewish national calibre gymnasts who are interested in participating in Israel.

You can drop Dr. Fedder a line in regard to the gymnastics team at 181 Gordon Rd., Willowdale, Ont., stating your name, age, telephone number and credentials.

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Anyone who's looking for a ton of excitement may want to check out the Leah Posluns Theatre on Sunday, March 25.

That's the day the LPT will be hosting the Ontario Senior Powerlifting Championships — an event where thrills come by the pound.

Sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre Powerlifting Club and sanctioned by the Ontario Powerlifting Association, the championships are open to amateur male lifters who have met qualifying standards at an OPA sanctioned meet. Weight classes at the OSPC will range from 52 to 125+ kilos.

Lifters will compete in the squat, bench press and dead lift with International Powerlifting Federation rules in force at the meet. Competitors must pay a $20 entry fee and the cutoff date for entries is Wednesday, March 21.

On March 25, the lighter classes will begin lifting at 10 a.m. with a 2 p.m. start set for the heavyweights. Admission to the championships is $2 at the door — children under 12 get in free.

For more information or an entry form, contact Bill Lupka at (416) 967-0857, Jim Burgin, (416) 636-3744 or Roy Lorenz (416) 636-1880, ext. 235.

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On Wednesday, March 21, the northern branch of the Jewish Community Centre kicks off an innovative, fully integrated exercise program for both ambulatory and wheelchair-bound individuals.

Eva Karpati, the JCC physical education staffer who is organizing and running the weekly fitness seminars, said the classes will "be somewhat similar to a regular exercise program except that they will be open to the handicapped and the emphasis will be on having fun and socializing."

Karpati, a member of the JCC's special needs committee, said that realization of the program "came out of the fact that the Centre is now totally accessible to the handicapped" after the completion of renovations which took place last year.

Calling the new physical activity group "an important program that is unique to the community," Karpati added that she had contemplated the idea of starting an integrated fitness class for some time, but physical obstacles at the Centre had prevented her from going ahead with the project.

Classes will run every Wednesday from 5.30-6.30 p.m. at the Centre. For further information or to register, contact Eva Karpati at 636-1880, ext. 235.

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The Etobicoke Olympiad will host a special brand of basketball court wheeling and dealing next month when wheelchair teams from around the world roll into town for the annual edition of the Spitfire Challenge.

The Spitfires, a team of Israeli wheelchair hoopsters comprised of members of Ilan, Israel's largest organization for disabled war veterans, will be the host team for the touring 3-day tournament which is scheduled for April 20-22.

The Challenge, which is being partly sponsored by B'nai B'rith Canada, will open with three games on Friday (scheduled to finish before sundown), followed by a Saturday night semi-final match and the title game on Sunday.

The Spitfires, whose regular visits to Toronto included a part in the filming of The Terry Fox Story at the JCC two years ago, are also expected to play an exhibition game at the northern branch of the Jewish Community Centre which is tentatively set for April 24.

For more information or to help support and/or organize the Spitfire Challenge, call Harvey Rosen at 278-6455.

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There will be no repeat champion in the B'nai B'rith hockey league's B Division this season.

Mired in what has amounted to a season-long slump, the defending B Division champion Don Mills Axemen were virtually eliminated from post season play last week after suffering a 5-2 setback at the hands of Leonard Mayzel Black Hawks.

The loss was Axemen's sixth in a row — seventh in eight games — leaving the club winless since scoring a 3-1 win over Canyon Kings during the first week of January.

Paul Silverberg with three goals and an assist and Al Gontovnick with a pair of markers and an assist led Black Hawks past Axemen.

Elsewhere in BI Division, Larry Wolfman's equalizer offset a 2-goal game from Gary Goldlust and lifted Toronto Freedom Blue Notes to a 3-3 tie against Maccabiah Red Wings; Brian Maskowitz had a pair of goals and Barry Sheffer potted the winner as Don Mills Wasters topped Canyon Kings 5-4; and Bob Toman posted two goals and an assist to spark Toronto Freedom Feathers to a 3-1 decision over Toronto Freedom Realtors.

In BII Division action, Allan Sacks and Jeff Zoltak each contributed two goals and an assist as Forrestdale Flyers dumped Canyon Crush 8-5; Robert Pfeffer scored twice to pace Forrestdale Sting to an 8-5 win over Manor Metropolitan Wolverines who had a hat trick from Howard Yegendorf in the game; and Leon Ikka scored two goals and added an assist to lead Upper Canada Bruins past Leonard Mayzel Red Hawks 5-1.

In A Division games, Paul Gurza scored twice as Canyon Brokers outshone Toronto Freedom North Stars 5-3; Paul Stein's first period goal was all the support netminder Dean Gangbar needed as he led Toronto Freedom Team Mates to a 6-0 win over Canyon Satellites; Neil Weinberg netted the winner as Forrestdale Big Steel Man edged Brokers 4-2; and Toronto Freedom Whalers got three goals and an assist from Harvey Vinsky to down North Stars 4-1.

In C Division, Mike Glazer's opening goal held up as netminder Steve Levant sparkled between the pipes to lift Toronto Freedom Ultis to a 3-0 blanking of Maccabiah Weiss Guys; David Kershner scored the go-ahead goal to pace Toronto Freedom Minors to a 5-2 decision over Maccabiah Bruins; and Sol Laski scored two goals, including the winner, and added an assist as Don Mills Princes nipped Mixed Marauders 4-3.

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The Toronto Maccabi Soccer Club is currently organizing tryouts for the upcoming indoor football season, team representative Tony Lipsey recently announced.

Opening trials for the indoor squad take place at the Jewish Community Centre's northern branch on March 18 at 8.30 p.m. All quality Jewish players over the age of 16 are encouraged to try-out, Lipsey says.

Several Maccabi players are former Maccabiah Games participants and are likely to represent Canada again at the 1985 event.

To arrange for a try-out, call team manager Michael Silverman at 889-0813.

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TORONTO —

Big city prowlers on the hunt for a slice of the great outdoors should set their sights on the CNE Coliseum Building.

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Special features include children's fishing seminars conducted by Toronto Star outdoor columnist John Power using a newly-designed 3,500 gallon fishing simulator [admission for children is free on Saturdays and Sundays during the show]; twice daily performances by Bart, a 1,500 pound Kodiak bear; the world's largest indoor retriever trials; the Purina Pet Extravaganza featuring over 70 cat and dog breeds; educational displays on conservation and recreational activities; and an Ontario ministry of natural resources wildlife exhibit.

There will also be an outdoors fashion show, a live trout pond, displays of handcrafted decoys and North America's largest gathering of retail outfitters, lodge owners, charterboat operators, whitewater rafters and outdoor vacation promoters.

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Business Outlook

Broker tries to help individual investor

Education key before venturing into stock market

By LEN BUTCHER —

TORONTO —

Buying stocks at the best of times is a difficult decision, but when a potential investor, particularly an individual who wants to take a chance with his $2,000 or $5,000, that decision is usually compounded by his lack of knowledge.

The stock market is an area in which you must proceed cautiously and with as much information as you can gather beforehand, says Richard Self of Moss Lawson & Co. Ltd.

To help individual investors have a much better understanding of the stock market, Moss Lawson runs seminars on a regular basis "not to sell you something," says Self, "but to make you a better, more educated investor. We also teach continuing education programs in the belief that if the public was better educated, we would have a better banking system and better investment situations."

Self says his company is always looking for the best opportunities for individual investors because "80% of our business comes from this group. We are very much committed to the education process."

Moss Lawson "has been around since 1923," says Self, "and we spend a large number of our dollars in research. We have a technical analyst, oil and gas analyst, an economist, a person who looks at special situations and two generalists, which gives us good exposure research-wise and is, we feel, a real plus for the investor."

Does he offer any advice to the small investor?

"Let me preface my answer," Self says, "by saying that in the late 60s and 70s we saw people buying material things — real estate, antiques, collectibles. Most of those things are in place now.

"I think the 80s are going to be a time of accumulating wealth. The key for the investor with $2,000, $5,000 or $10,000 is to know what's the best way to accumulate wealth.

"Let's face it. Good investments are a boring process. If it was so easy to make money overnight, everybody would be doing it. I think for as much money you make on the first flier, you give back on the second or third.

"That's no way for 99% of the people to go. I would suggest buying good quality stocks that are undervalued and pay a good dividend.

"While you wait for other people to realize the valuation, you are receiving a good income from them."

Obviously, says Self, "all money has an opportunity cost. These people are taking their money out of somewhere, whether it be the bank or Canada Savings Bonds, which means they are losing that interest.

"By buying good stocks your dividends are covering your opportunity cost and if you buy good value and it gets recognized, then you are rewarded with capital gains."

How do you know when a stock is undervalued?

"You look at fundamental things like the book value of the stock and at how many times its earnings is it trading. If the stock is trading at 50 times its earnings, there is obviously tremendous expectations, which means there is also room for tremendous disappointment."

But, Self says, "If you buy a stock that's undervalued and trading at five times earnings and 60% of what it's worth, how much room for disappointment is there? Not much. Put that together with collecting good dividends and it's a pretty low-risk way to invest in the stock market.

"Hopefully somewhere down the road that stock is going to trade at 10 or 15 times earnings and you're going to be rewarded quite handsomely. But it all takes time.

"You should buy stocks slowly and carefully and look to a year and a half to two years before you might be rewarded."

For information on the free seminars conducted by Moss Lawson, call Richard Self at 864-2816.

Israeli banks introduce innovative facilities

TEL AVIV —

Israeli banks are making important strides toward introducing advanced innovations in automated facilities intended to effect savings in manpower costs while providing the sophisticated expansive bank services demanded by Israel's inflation-linked economy.

To reach this goal, Israel's five competitive banking groups have formed the first nationwide network of its kind to unify all Automatic Teller Stations in the country into a single system for clients of major banks.

With approximately 500 ATM stations throughout Israel the unique network will serve 1.4 million bank-issued debit card holders [in a nation of 4 million population], it was announced last week. It is believed to be one of the most extensive, per capita, in the world.

The national network, centred on through-wall bank street locations, was initiated by Bank Leumi le-Israel, the country's largest financial organization with one-third of all ATM card holders, it was stated.

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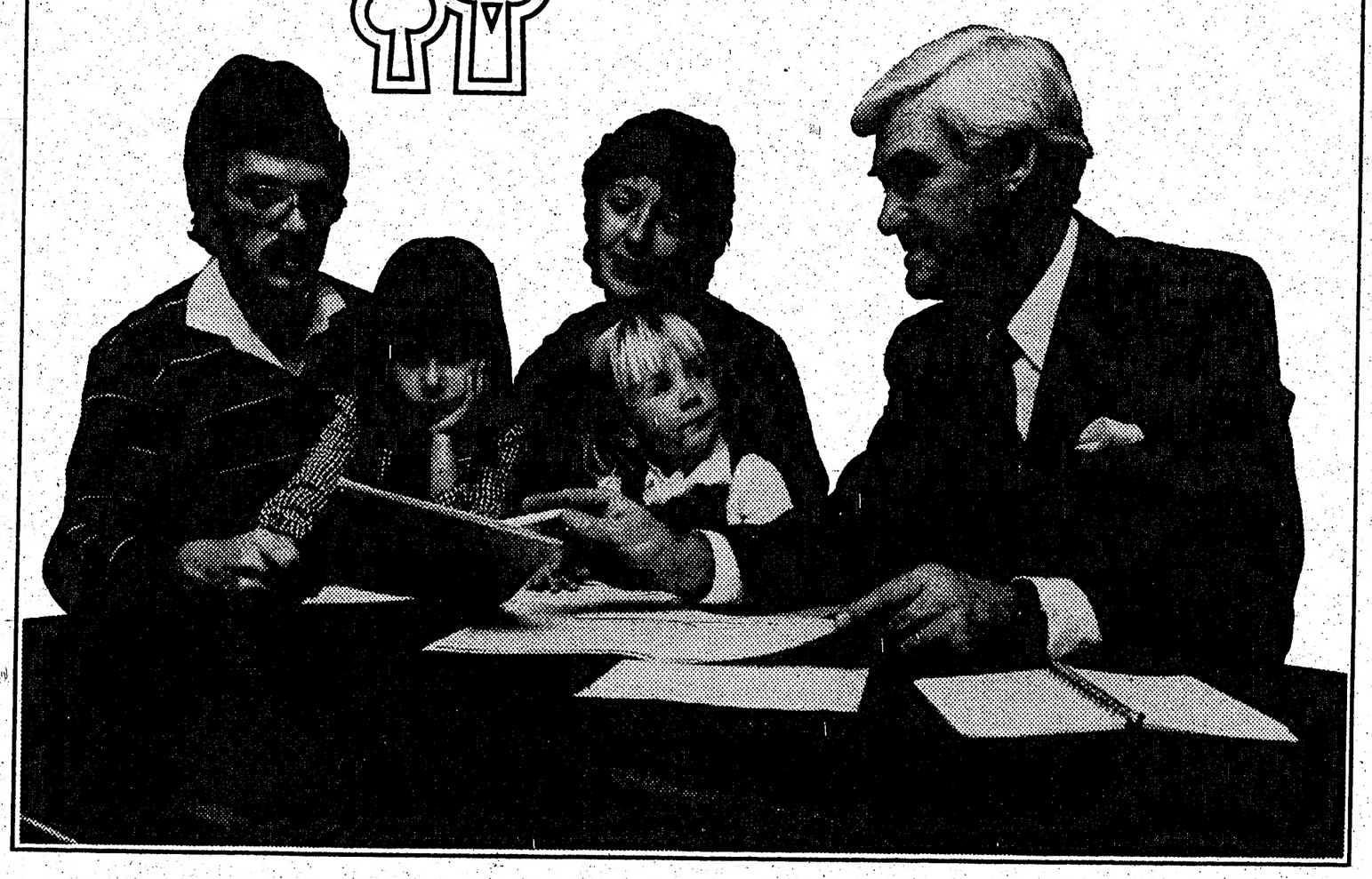

Business Outlook

Confusion over different types

RRIFs not recommended for small investments

By
MURRAY SHERR
& BUNNY BERGSTEIN

Q. I am age 71, and was originally planning to turn my RRSP savings into a Life Annuity, guaranteed 15 years. However, I have recently received some information on Registered Retirement Income Funds and am now completely confused. Can you please tell me what the difference is between them?

A. This is an important question and we can understand the confusion. There are so many different types of Registered Retirement Income Funds (RRIFs).

First let's deal with the Life Annuity, guaranteed 15 years. Under the terms of this annuity, you will be paid for all of your life, and, as our grandparents used to say, "biz a hundert und tsvunsik," until 120. It just cannot run out on you. However, should you die in less than 15 years, the payment will go to your spouse until a full 15 years have been paid (your age 86). If both you and your spouse live less than 15 years, there will be a refund of principal to the estate of the last to survive.

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An owner of a RRSP can transfer his funds to a RRIF and withdraw an annual amount from the fund based on a formula dependent on age.

All RRIFs must be arranged to end at age 90. For example, if a person, age 71, arranges for a RRIF, the term of the RRIF is 19 years. On Jan. 1 next, 1/19 of the fund must be withdrawn. On all subsequent Jan. 1st's the annuitant will receive 1/18, 1/17, 1/16, 1/15, 1/14, etc. until age 90, when the balance of the fund is cleared out.

This is the least complicated formula at the present time.

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The annual payment will continue to age 90 to the annuitant, or may be arranged on the annuitant's spouse's age, if he or she is younger.

On the death of both spouses, prior to age 90, the total remaining principal becomes earned income of the last to die and taxable for income tax in the final tax return of the annuitant or spouse.

A recent change in the regulations permits the annuitant to increase each annual payment, based on a formula that can give up to 6% additional return each year.

RRIFs are offered by banks, trust companies, life insurance companies, stockbrokers and mutual funds. At this writing, most financial institutions will guarantee 10½% to 11% rate of interest and thus will be able to tell you exactly how much you will receive each year (or each month), as well as being able to project the remaining balance of the fund at the end of each year.

If you choose to have the flexibility of increasing the payment up to 6% in any given year, then an accurate projection cannot be made because the future balances are unknown.

Some companies, instead of guaranteeing investment periods, such as three or five years. By using shorter investment terms there is a risk, as the interest rate on renewal may be lower than the original rate.

Another option is to have the RRIF invested with a stockbroker. The funds will be invested in stocks or bonds, and traded as you and your advisor decide. This, of course, creates a much larger element of speculation.

Which method is best for you, will of course depend on how much RRSP funds you have available, and what your circumstances are. We do not recommend a RRIF where the amount invested is small, as the resultant income is just too low to be practical.

The most common use of a RRIF seems to be to defer income to a later date, and at the same time, build an estate. But, deferring income is only possible if the annuitant has enough, or more than enough current income. It doesn't seem wise to have a large income after age 80, if funds are going to be insufficient until then.

As for building an estate through a RRIF, remember that the remaining balance on death before age 90 becomes earned income.

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A BEAUTY ON PARK
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Just listed! Lg. 4 bdrm. home, fam. rm., lg. principle rms., inground pool, $209,000. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-STEELES
Mn. flr. libr. + fam. rm., designer kitch., oversized master bdrm., 5 pc. ensuite. Loads of extras, southern exposure, $184,900. Maxine Povering, 731-7111.

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5 bdrm. sidesplit offers formal liv. & din., mn. flr. den. Huge kitch., fabulous fin. bsmnt., gracious home with mature garden. Maxine Roness, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-STEELES
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BATHURST VILLAGE
Reduced to sell! Vendor has bought. Lovely 3 bdrm. sidesplit, sep. maid's qurtrs., lovely decor, excellent lot. Laureen Unroth, 731-7111.

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RIDGEGATE
2,400 sq. ft. carriage home feat. formal liv/din. rms., magnificent fam. rm. with fieldstone fireplace, loaded with extras, $144,900. Carole Lazer, 731-7111.

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ONE OF A KIND
First ad. Completely updated 3 bdrm. bungalow, 2 car gar., 3 bths., spectacular custom kitch., rec. rm. & maid's qurtrs. Bathurst S. of Steeles. $149,900. Maxine Povering, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-PATRICIA
Spacious 4 bdrm., side split facing park, walk to shopping, TTC & shuls, lg. lot, move-in cond., $149,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-STEELES
Lg. size family home feat. sep. maid's qurtrs., full master ensuite, ceramics, skylight, loads of extras. $149,900. Evelyn Farber, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-WILSON
Just listed! Lovely 3 bdrm. 2 storey home on extra lg. lot. Vendor has bought! $144,900. Ted Waxman, 731-7111.

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BATHURST-STEELES
Det. 3 bdrms., mn. flr. fam. rm., firepl., master ensuite, fin. bsmnt., $122,900. Jeff Grossman/Laurence Alexander, 731-7111.

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Move-in cond., centre hall home, 4 bdrms., new kitch., wood trim throughout. $138,500. Ted Waxman 731-7111.

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Forest Hill centre hall Georgian. Main flr. den with fireplace. 4-5 bdrms. + (master ensuite). Great lower level. Call Harold Hillman, 483-4337.

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Breathtaking corner suite. Separate living & dining rms. Family rm. with fireplace. Huge master suite + guest bdrm with bath ensuite. Call Nancy Prussky.

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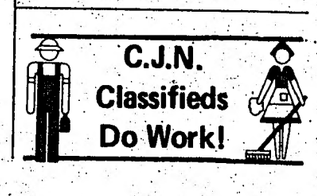

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Housing boom for seniors

TEL AVIV —
A small development boom is taking place here with the construction of a number of important new projects, geared for modern retirement living in Israel, designated to appeal to Jewish seniors from abroad.

These retirement communities include new and expanded ones in Kfar Shmaryahu, Tel Aviv, Bat Yam and Jerusalem, though most of the appeal and building, especially for prospective retirees in Israel from overseas is, of course, in the capital.

In all, more than 2,000 rooms are under construction or planned for this type of high standard residence project designed, ultimately, to bring Jews to Israel — approximately half in Jerusalem.

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Ontario Treasurer Larry Grossman and wife Carole, left, share a laugh with Technion president Prof. Josef Singer, right and Mrs. Singer while speaking at a Technion dinner in Haifa. The evening was part of a 5-day mission to Israel during which Grossman was accompanied by members of the Toronto Chapter of the Canadian Friends of Technion. [Arik Baltinester photo]

Grossman tours Israel with Technion members

TORONTO — Ontario Treasurer Larry Grossman and a group of members representing the Toronto Chapter of the Canadian Technion Society (CTS) recently returned from a five-day, whirlwind mission to Israel that included stops at the Knesset, Yad Vashem and the Technion-Israel Institute of Technology.

Among the members of the Toronto CTS who accompanied Grossman on the tour were Stephen Rosen, executive director of the central region of the CTS, David Azrieli, honorary campaign chairman of the upcoming CTS Grossman dinner to be held April 15, and Mark Friedman, campaign chairman of the Grossman dinner campaign. Several mission members, including Grossman, were also joined by their wives for the trip.

While in Israel, Grossman addressed a Technion dinner in Haifa attended by Prof. Josef Singer, president of the Institute, heads of the Technion faculty of medicine, and current holders of the numerous Canadian - sponsored academic chairs at the Institute.

The group toured the Technion and its Canadian projects with special attention given to the new Canada Nuclear Engineering Institute, the David Lipson Wind Tunnel (named after the late Toronto Architect) and the site of the new Azrieli School of Architecture Building.

They also met with Technion dean of medicine Dr. Ori Better and assistant dean Dr. Shimon Bursztein, research heads of the department of immunology, before touring the faculty of medicine and the site of the new Ethel and Allan Grossman Centre for Research in Immunology which is dedicated to the Ontario treasurer's parents.

The mission wound-up with a trip to the Knesset and meetings between group members and several MKs, followed by a private tour of the Yad Vashem where Grossman laid a wreath at the monument after taking part in a brief memorial service for the victims of the Holocaust.

On his return, Grossman reported on the trip to over 100 guests at a reception hosted by Linda and Gary Goldberg at Toronto's Inn on the Park on behalf of the Young Technion arm of the Toronto chapter of the CTS.

The reception, which drew attention to the Grossman dinner and to the annual Technion Science Fair scheduled for March 28 through April 1, also heard a lecture by Technion sleep expert Dr. Peretz Lavie, currently on sabbatical at Harvard.

Oxford debating team headed by Canadian

By TAMMY KAROL

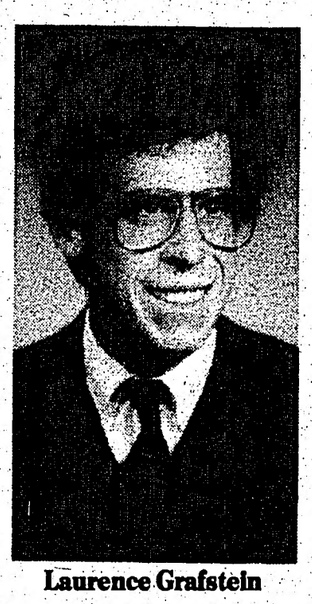
TORONTO — **Laurence Grafstein of Toronto, a second-year student of political philosophy at Oxford University, this month became the first Canadian in 50 years to be elected president of his school's debating society, the Oxford Union.**

The Union is one of the most prestigious debating groups in Britain and has attracted many eminent economists, politicians and world figures.

Recently, 23-year-old Grafstein debated with American Secretary of State Casper Weinberger and Canadian economist John Kenneth Galbraith.

The only other Canadian president of the Oxford Union was David Lewis, who later became national NDP leader. He was president in 1934.

Grafstein, the son of Senator Jerry Grafstein of Toronto, hopes to get his Masters degree this spring and is planning a career in journalism and law. He is on a Rhodes scholarship at Oxford.



Laurence Grafstein

Grafstein attended the United Synagogue Day School at Beth Tzedec and went to high school at Upper Canada College.

At Upper Canada he won the Lieutenant-Governor's Medal for being the top in his class from grades 10-13, and also received the Churchill Medal for being the best public speaker in Toronto.

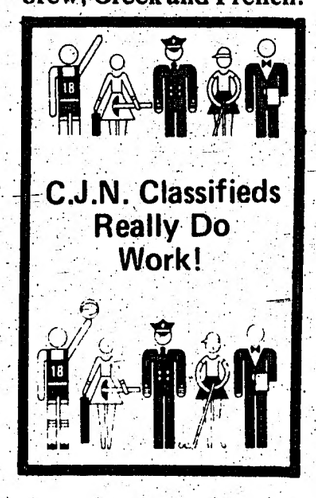
He wrote for the school's yearbook and was active in the school's soccer, squash, tennis and debating teams.

From 1978 to 1982 Grafstein attended Harvard University where he majored in social studies and graduated magna cum laude in sociology with a BA.

While in Boston, Grafstein was editor of the Harvard Crimson, the university's prestigious newspaper, and in the summer of 1981 he worked as a reporter for the Globe and Mail.

Last summer and the year before Grafstein was a journalist for the New Republic magazine in Washington. He still writes for this publication and his most recent piece (Feb. 26) deals with cults.

Grafstein speaks Hebrew, Greek and French.



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It's a Winners!

Yes, it's a brand new Winners at Spadina & King. Now you can get "famous label style at 25-50% off famous label prices" downtown as well as in the suburbs.
And to help celebrate, all Winners stores are offering these Grand Opening specials.
Come to the Grand Opening this Thursday at 57 Spadina...it'll be a real winner!

LADIES'	MSR.*	OUR PRICE
100% Silk Co-ordinates	$65-115	1/2 Price
"Softwear" 100% Cotton Sweaters	$35	$19
Hishi" Fashion Activewear	$45-110	1/2 Price
Canvas and Nylon Totes	$25	$9
Leathers and Suedes	$145-600	1/3-1/2 Off
Famous Maker Blouses	to $75	$19

*Manufacturer's suggested retail.

KIDS'	MSR.*	OUR PRICE
Jordache" Denim Jeans, sizes 4-14	$25-$29	1/2 Price
Snoopy" Polo PJ's, sizes 2-6X	$12-$14	$5
Sasson" T-Shirts, sizes 4-14	$15-$18	40% Off
Famous U.S. Overalls, sizes 1-6	$32-$36	1/3 Off
Sesame Street" Shoe Bags	$10	$3
Famous Maker Showroom Samples, sizes 2-14		1/2 Price

FREE: Rockettes" Panty Hose (MSR. $2.75) to first 500 customers! Balloons for the kids!

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